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RUSSIAN TREATY WILL COME TO END

President Has Turned Over to Senate Task of Completing Abrogation.

WILL END IN JANUARY, 1913

Abrogation Will Probably be an Accomplished Fact by Thursday's Recess—Substitute for House Resolution.

Washington, Dec. 18.—President Taft turned over to the Senate today the task of completing the abrogation of the treaty of 1832 with Russia because of alleged discriminations against American citizens of Jewish faith. Ignoring the House of Representatives the President sent a message to the Senate announcing that on Friday last he had caused notice to be forwarded to St. Petersburg that the United States decided the treaty to end January 1, 1913. This notification was officially handed to the representatives of the Russian government yesterday.

Mr. Taft asked the Senate to ratify and give effect to his action. The foreign affairs committee of the Senate voted unanimously to report a resolution of ratification, couched in diplomatic terms, and Senator Lodge offered it later in the Senate. There was every reason to believe that the resolution would be pushed through inasmuch as the Senate committee as an act of courtesy to the House had decided that the lower branch of Congress should be asked to concur in the Senate's action.

Senator Heyburn, of Idaho, however, took the floor and after protesting vigorously against hasty action, asserted his right under the rules and by formal objection threw further consideration of the matter over until tomorrow.

Although it was evident tonight that politics would enter into the fight tomorrow, and the prediction was made freely that all obstacles would be overcome and that before the Senate adjourned the committee resolution would be put through as a substitute for the House resolution which proved objectionable to the Russian government.

Chairman Sulzer, of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, author of the House resolution, declared tonight that he believed the matter would be adjusted satisfactorily and that the abrogation of the treaty would be an accomplished fact before Congress recessed Thursday for the holidays.

Democratic leaders, both in the Senate and House, are determined to claim credit for the abrogation of the treaty. Senators Culberson, of Texas, and Hitchcock, of Nebraska, the latter a member of the foreign relations committee, served preliminary notice to this effect in the Senate today and will be heard further tomorrow. Senator Culberson accused President Taft of trying to strip the House of one of its prerogatives and asserted that the President was trying to "steal the Democratic thunder."

In his message to the Senate President Taft transmitted a copy of the letter which American Ambassador Guild, at St. Petersburg, had transmitted to the Russian foreign office. In it was expressed the view of the United States that the old treaty no longer met the political principles or commercial needs of the two nations and should be terminated. The American government, with marked courtesy, suggested further that it would be most agreeable to this country if a new treaty, along more modern lines, could be negotiated to replace the ancient and out-lived document.

Despite this overture to the Russian government, State Department officials tonight practically admitted that there was little hope for negotiating a new treaty that would avoid the very things that were leading to the denunciation of the old one.

The United States, it was pointed out, would be treading upon dangerous ground in trying to arrange with Russia for a reciprocal agreement looking to wider latitude in the rights of the citizens of the two countries. Under the "most favored nation" clauses of the treaties the United States has with other powers, any one of these could claim the right of entry for its citizens into the United States and there would be no such thing as restriction of immigration.

State Department officials do not believe that the heavy trade between Russia and United States necessarily will be jeopardized by the abrogation of the treaty, although a tariff war is possible and Russia would have the right to exclude American ships from any of her ports.

According to the bureau of statistics the value of imports into the United States from Russia during the present calendar year will amount to $14,000,000, principally in hides, skins and wool. The value of exports from the United States to Russia during the year is estimated at $24,000,000 showing a balance of $10,000,000 in favor of the United States. Russia also buys much American cotton in London and with this included the total value of American goods sent into the empire is estimated at $35,000,000, a balance of $21,000,000 in favor of the United States. The American exports are principally manufactures of agricultural machinery and cotton.

President Taft's announcement, first in a letter to the foreign relations com-

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OTHERS ARE BEING WATCHED

Trace Will Be Made of Others Who Were Numbered Among the "Dynamiting Crew"—Hotel Record Used

Indianapolis, Dec. 18.—Hotel registers showing the movements of those suspected of complicity in the dynamiting conspiracy other than the McNamaras and Ortie McManigal, were taken before the Federal grand jury today. Thomas J. Reftingon, of Youngstown, Ohio, the first hotel man to be examined, brought with him his hotel register and account books said to show by whom certain bills had been paid. A bridge being erected by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad at Youngstown was damaged by an explosion on the night of October 30th, 1907. Non-union iron workers had been employed on the contract. This explosion was followed by numerous others in northern Ohio, all alleged to be depredations of the "dynamiting crew."

McManigal's and the McNamaras' movements are well-known and the hotel records are being brought from places in Ohio, Indianapolis, from the East and from as far West as Salt Lake City, Utah, with a view of tracing others whose names have not yet been mentioned, but upon whom, it is said, the government is keeping close watch.

Other persons examined today are believed to know circumstances connected with the stores of explosives which the dynamiters kept.

The stores were at Tiffin, Ohio, where, in April, 1911, 540 pounds of dynamite were taken from a barn in the rear of McManigal's father's home at Indianapolis, where more than 100 pounds of explosives were found in the basement of the building occupied by the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, and in a barn outside the city; at Rochester, Pa., where nitro-glycerine was found, and at Muncie, Ind.

Detective W. J. Burns who, through evidence left at these places, traced McManigal's connection with the McNamaras, probably will be a witness later.

District Attorney Charles W. Miller said the government was progressing rapidly with the investigation. He sad it was probable all the evdence will be in wthn a month.

RUSSIA AND PERSIA

Russian Troops Preparing Advance on Capital—Refused Proposals

Teheran, Dec. 18.—The National Council has refused to accept the cabinet's proposals regarding a solution of the Russian difficulty, and the Russian troops are preparing to advance on the capital. It is believed that the advance will begin Thursday. The official attitude suggests passive resistance, but the provincial sentiment is strongly opposed to the Russians.

The Foreign Minister in presenting the question before the National Counsel today, made a determined attempt to secure the support of the council. He represented that the cabinet had made every effort to retain Mr. Shuster, but the plight of the country was desperate. The ex-Shah, he said, was advancing on the one hand and Salar Ed. Dowleh on the other, while Russia refused to abate her demands. Therefore, he argued, the cabinet should be empowered to conciliate Russia.

In spite of his appeals the deputies insisted that the retention of Mr. Shuster was Persia's only hope and that nothing was to be gained by yielding.

SAYS TESTIMONY WAS FALSE.

Former Railroad Attorney Denies He "Padded" Cost of Railroad.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Joseph B. Cotton, former attorney for the Duluth, Missabe and Northern Railroad, denied today before the House Steel Trust Investigating Committee the charge made by C. H. Martz that he had ordered the padding of the cost of the railroad in a report to teh Minnesota Railroad and Warehouse Commission.

Mr. Cotton branded the testimony of Martz as false in every particualr. He submitted documents to show that the cost estimates made by Martz never were submitted to the commission.

Mr. Cotton was accompanied by George Wellwood Murray, counsel for John D. Rockefeller, who provoked a colloquy with Chairman Stanley when he sought to interpret testimony of the witness.

Following Cotton's denials, Representative Young and Gardner declared they were convinced he had demonstrated he had done nothing questionable while counsel for the Duluth, Missabe and Northern railroad. The committee reviewed with Cotton the testimony of the Merritt brothers relating to the taking over of the railroad nd ore properties in the Missabe region by John D. Rockefeller and his almoner, the Rev. F. B. Gates, which later were sold to the United States Steel Corporation.

The committee will hear tomorrow other witnesses who will seek to shed further light on the absorption of the Minnesota ore properties by Mr. Rockefeller.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 18.—John P. Grace was today installed as mayor of Charleston, city councilmen taking the oath at the same time. Half of the aldermen are incumbents. The City Hall was thronged with spectators. The new mayor delivered his inaugural outlining, his policies.

Ladies and Gents

Solid gold, gold filled and silver watches one of my specialties. J. T. Burke, the Jeweler. de 3-tf.

TEN DEAD; NEARLY A SCORE INJURED

Train Crashes Into Rear of Another Near Odessa, Minn., Station.

ENGINE PLOWED INTO SLEEPER

Cars Were Steel But Were Sheared As If They Were Cardboard—Responsibility of Wreck Not Determined

Odessa, Minn., Dec. 18.—Ten are dead and nearly a score are more or less seriously injured as the result of a silk train on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad, which was running as section No. 2 of the Columbian Flyer," crashing into the rear Pullman of the Flyer at the station here today. The engine of the silk special ploughed for five feet into the sleeper, but the greatest loss of life was in the front end of the Pullman, which telescoped the dining car just ahead.

Although both diner and Pullman were of steel, the former sheared the upper portion of the sleeper from the floor as if it had been cardboard. In some manner the diner's floor became elevated slightly above that of the Pullman at the impact, and with the force of section No. 2 engine behind, the Pullman was jammed for fully 25 feet while the diner, as a gigantic knife, cut away the upper structure and did its work of destruction.

Responsibility for the wreck has not been determined definitely, but is said to rest between the operator at Ortonville Junction who, it is asserted, should not have permitted the silk train to enter the block in which there was a train; the operator here, who, it is said, failed to lift the stop signal for the Flyer and the flag of the Flyer, who, it is claimed, failed to protect the rear of his train immediately following its stopping at the block.

Of all the occupants of the Pullman but two escaped without injury. Immediately after the crash the uninjured hastened to the work of rescue and many feats of heroism were performed.

F. F. Schuster, a "jackey" of the United States battleship West Virginia, on his way to his home in Toledo, Ohio, on furlough, was conspicuous in the work of rescue. "I was dead for lack of sleep," he said, "and didn't know anything of the wreck until awakened by the groans and screams. Then I got out and went to work."

"It was a terrible sight," said Alpha LeBlanc, who was but slightly injured. "I was sleeping in the last berth of the car and the engine came almost through on me, but fortunately did not touch me. That sailor boy Schuster did wonders in getting the injured and the bodies of the dead from the wreckage."

Nearly all of the injured were taken to Minneapolis and many of them continued on to their destination.

The bodies of the dead are being held here and will be sent to their destinations as soon as word can be heard from relatives.

FIRE AT LUMBERTON.

Small Blaze at Livery Stable—Xmas Shoppers—Farmers to Meet.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Lumberton, N. C., Dec. 18.—Last night at 11 o'clock fire was discovered in the feed shed at Britt's livery stables on Fourth street. An alarm was promptly turned in and in a few minutes the flames were extinguished.

Mr. Britt estimates his loss at $25. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The stores have been full of shoppers today and all the merchants seem to be doing a fine business. If the weather continues through the week as it has been today, the prospects for a big holiday trade is good.

A mass meeting of citizens has been called to be held in Lumberton Friday, December 29th, for the purpose of considering plans for improvement of the cotton situation and business conditions for the new year. Every citizen in Robeson is not only invited, but is earnestly requested to be present.

EXPRESS CO. OFFERS REWARD.

For Arrest of Express Messenger Connected With Disappearance of $7,000.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 18.—The Southern Express Company today offered a reward of $300 for the arrest of Robin C. Fargason, of Macon, Ga., an express messenger wanted in connection with the disappearance of a package containing $7,000. The package was consigned to a bank at Griffin, Ga., and left Macon in Fargason's car on the Central of Georgia train Saturday.

The money is declared to have not been delivered, and Fargason did not show up for the return run to Macon. He has not been seen since, it is reported.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—Frank Chance, veteran first baseman of the Chicago National baseball club, is to be a playing manager again next season. This was announced last night by President Murphy, who said he had received a letter from the club leader to that effect.

Fire Works, Fire Works. A carload, they must be sold, our prices are right. Farris Bakery, 121 So. Front. Also call at Annex, 131 Market. de 18-6t

CHAS. W. MORSE IS DOOMED

Medical Officers Say His Condition Is Grave—Application for His Pardon Not Yet Acted Upon

Washington, Dec. 18.—Charles W. Morse is doomed, according to a report of the medical officers of the Army Hospital at Fort McPherson, Georgia, received today by Assistant Secretary of War Oliver. They say that his present condition is grave but that his ailment (arterio-sclerosie) is progressive and incurable, although it is not possible to predict when the end will come.

It was said at the Department of Justice late today that no attention had yet been taken in Morse's application for a commutation of sentence. It is likely that the matter will be determined by Wednesday as Attorney Wickersham leaves on that latter day for Panama. Officials here seem impressed with the gravity of the convicted banker's condition.

TURCO-ITALIAN WAR

Significance in Cession of Sollum District to Egypt

London, Dec. 18.—The cession of the Sollum district of Barca, the eastern division of Tripoli, and its occupation by Egypt has a significance in connection with the Turco-Italian war. At the beginning of the war it was supposed that Italy desired to appropriate Sollum with its important port Akaba in order to protect the projected naval station at Tobruk. But the Italians were induced to retire and recognize the old frontier.

Some experts say that Akaba has the possibilities of a finer naval station than even Bizerta and would deprive Bruk of much of its stategical value. Hence there is considerable curiosity as to why Turkey ceded Sollum to Egypt and what will be its eventual fate.

Little news is being received from the seat of war. There have been some small outpost affairs but indications pointed in the direction of peace.

Cairo, Egypt, Dec. 18.—The Egyptian government is taking possession of the Sollum district of Barca, which forms the eastern division of Tripoli. The Sollum district borders on Egypt and was ceded by Turkey to the Egyptian government which will retain possession pending the end of the war, when the definite status of the territory will be determined.

OFF ON ANOTHER TRIP

President Taft Will Spend Two Days Banqueting in New York

Washington, Dec. 18.—With a busy programme arranged for him President Taft will leave Washington at noon tomorrow for a two-day's stay in New York, returning to Washington Thursday. Mr. Taft is due to reach New York about 6 o'clock and his first engagement with the Economic Club at the Hotel Astor at 7 o'clock will give him just about enough time to go to the home of his brother, Henry W. Taft, whose guest he will be in New York ,to change clothes. From the Economic dinner the President will motor to Brooklyn to look in on the banquet of New England Society of Brooklyn and that of the Young Republican Club. He will spend the night at his brother's home.

No engagements have been made for Wednesday morning but it is probable that political and other friends of Mr. Taft will drop in. After luncheon he will lay the corner-stone of a settlement house for the blind. At night he will attend banquets of the Automobile Club of America and the Young Men's Republican Club of New York, leaving for Washington at midnight

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Cannonsburg, Pa., Dec. 18.—John Ricorick, a Polis miner, tonight shot and killed Michael Novac and his wife Mary Novac, with whom he boarded; and Frank Stovano, a fellow boarder. He then shot himself and is in a hospital dying.

OUTLINES.

As the result of a train wreck at Odessa, Minn., when an extra train crashed into another, ten are dead and nearly a score are more or less seriously injured——The United States judge has refused to confirm the sale of the Jamestown Exposition site to the highest bidder. The highest bid was $170,000——The treaty of 1832 between the United States and Russia will come to an end in January, 1913——Hotel registers are being used by the Federal grand jury in ascertaining evidence with which the arrests of other members of the "dynamite crew" will face trial——According to the medical officers of Fort McPherson, Ga., Chas. W. Morse is doomed. His present condition is grave. No further action has yet been made for his pardon——The Wabash Railroad Company has been placed in the hands of receivers It is one of the pioneer railroads built up by Jay Gould, and is among the largest systems in the country——The Rev. Frank W. Sandford, leader of the Holy Ghost and Us Society, was yesterday carried to Atlanta penitentiary where he will serve a ten-year sentence for causing the death of persons by not supplying provisions while on a cruise of his colony yacht.

New York markets: Money on call steady, 3 1-2 to 3 7-8 per cent., ruling rate 3 3-4, closing bid 3 3-4, offered at 4. Flour firm with fair inquiry. Wheat strong, No. 2 red 97 5-8 elevator export basis, and 99 3-8 f.o.b. afloat. Corn spot firm, export new 70 3-4 f.o.b. afloat. Rosin firm. Turpentine quiet. Spot cotton quiet.

New black Lynx and Fox Furs will be on display today. C. H. Fore & Co. **

"HOLY GHOSTER" IS TAKEN TO PRISON

Leader of Holy Ghost Society Wlil Serve Ten-Year Term.

WAS CAUSE OF DEATH AT SEA

Failed to Supply Provisions During a Long Cruise of Yacht---Psioner Talked of His Work—Ten-Year Sentence

Portland, Maine, Dec. 18.—The Rev. Frank W. Sandford, leader of the Holy Ghost and Us Society, left for Atlanta, Ga., tonight, to enter upon a ten-year term in the Federal Penitentiary to which he was sentenced today by Judge Clarence Hale of the United States District Court. The specific charge upon which the Shiloh leader was sentenced was causing the death at sea of George Hughey, a member of his flock, by failing to furnish provisions during the recent 17-month cruise of the Holy Ghost yacht Coronet. This was the first of six counts in the indictment found by the Federal grand jury Judge Hale continuing the others.

There was a big gathering at the railroad station but Sandford remained unperturbed. Among those who bade him farewell was Rev. Charles E. Holland, who succeeds to the leadership of the colony.

In an interview just before he left the city Sandford declared that he felt no resentment and that he looked upon his imprisonment simply as a part of God's plan. "I am glad to be just where I am," he said. "I am still in His work and as soon as I reach my new level I shall begin to dig in. In fact, I am even now engaged in my work."

In sentencing Sandford Judge Hale did not designate that he should be given hard labor.

MEET FOREIGN DISCRIMINATION

Information Has Been Compiled Justifying Legislation to This Effect

Washington, Dec. 18.—Secretary Knox has written to Senator Curtis, of Kansas, a letter giving information compiled by the government which in the opinion of Mr. Knox would justify legislation to provide means of meeting various discriminations by foreign countries against American commerce. The Senator has framed a bill calculated to meet the situation, as it arises.

"The problem," said Secretary Knox, "is to provide for the removal so far as practicable of such features in foreign practice as may be found adverse to our export trade development and of serious import to those American enterprises directly affected.

"In the opinion of the department this problem may be solved through the medium of an amendment to Section 2 of the Act of August 5th, 1909, whereby may be afforded a sufficient degree of elasticity in the imposition of tariff rates suited to the offenses intended for correction."

Secretary Knox cited some of the more important instances to which the attention of the State Department has been called, "but which properly may not be considered as falling under the classification of 'undue discriminations.'

"There have been developed in recent years," he wrote, "numerous instances of tariff and administrative discrimination against products of the United States. Many of these, and indeed, the most important as they then existed, were removed or were equalized by compensation in tariff rates granted by other countries through the negotiations following the enactment of the tariff law of August 5th, 1909.

"Some instances of discrimination could not be removed by negotiations and because of their minor character when considered in the relation of a commerce thus involved to the entire commerce of the United States with the particular offending countries, they were permitted to remain. Since the conclusion of these negotiations other instances have developed in the way of discriminative practices both with respect to capital investments of American citizens in foreign countries and in regard to measures in the administration of foreign tariffs adverse to the commercial interests of the United States."

Secretary Knox's list of countries making discriminations, which, however, he said he did not consider as properly speaking undue, include Belgium, Germany, Italy, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria, Portugal and Spain.

Secretary Knox stated that the amendment doubtless should originate in the House and he therefore, communicated to the ways and means committee commentative draft of the proposed amendment which would provide a minimum of five per cent. ad valorem and maximum of 25 per cent. applicable by proclamation when the President is satisfied that another nation's laws or practices are inimical to equal opportunity for American enterprise.

Senator Curtis' bill was framed as an amendment to the pure food and drug law with the intent of giving to the President discretionary power to meet discriminations.

MARBLE BUSTS OF GOVERNORS

Will Occupy Niches In Rotunda of State House---Tarboro Union Depot Matter—Better Farming Train Commended

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 18.—The marble busts of Governor Samuel Johnston and Governor John M. Morehead that are to occupy the two remaining niches on the first floor of the rotunda of the State House, have arrived and are ready to be placed in position and unveiled.

They are the work of F. W. Ruckstuhl, who executed the busts of Governor Graham and Senator Ransom, now occupying niches in the rotunda. No time is set for unveiling the Morehead bust. The bust of Governor Johnston will be unveiled under the auspices of the North Carolina Grand Lodge of Masons by whom it is presented to the State on account of Governor Johnston having been a grand master and rendered other high service for Masonry in the early days of State history. The unveiling will be January 10th while the Grand Lodge is in session here. The address on the life of Johnston will be by R. D. W. Connor, preceded by special music by a quartette, invocation by Rev. Plato Durham, grand chaplain, report on the committee on the bust by Hon. Francis D. Winston, for the committee on bust; presentation for the committee to the Grand Lodge by Past Grand Master B. S. Royster, and acceptance by Grand Master Richard Hackett, for the Grand Lodge. These ceremonies will be in the Grand Lodge Temple and will be followed by a public meeting in the State House at which the bust will be presented to the State by Col. J. Bryan Grimes, of the State Historical Commission, and accepted by Governor W. W. Kitchin for the State.

Chairman McNeill and Commissioner E. L. Travis, of the Corporation Commission, were at Tarboro this morning to give a special hearing in the matter of the petition of citizens for the railroad company to be required to provide a new station there. On their return to Raleigh they stopped this afternoon at Wilson to give a personal look into the situation as to the petition pending there for a new passenger station, the difficulty there being that the Norfolk-Southern insists that its station is now ample and practically new and that if there is to be a union station required it should be at the point where the Norfolk-Southern and the Atlantic Coast Line tracks cross instead of at the present Coast Line station. The commissioners expect to be in the office here tomorrow again.

There are coming into the State Department of Agriculture a number of letters commending very highly the work of the representatives of the department who went with the Better Farming train last wek for Winston-Salem to Wadesboro over the Winston-Salem Southbound Railroad holding farmer's institutes and special lectures at all the stations on this new road. President H. E. Fries writes Commissioner W. A. Graham that there was a very great deal of good accomplished by the train and especially through the special work of the representatives of the department and that the railroad company will be glad to co-operate whenever the opportunity is afforded, in such work.

NUMEROUS BRIBERY ...ARGES

In Two Counties Hundreds Are Arrested Connected With Bribes

Bristol, Tenn., Dec. 18.—Predictions are being made tonight that Lee county Virginia, may rival Adams county, Ohio, in the number of arrests for alleged bribery in elections, as the result of the work of the grand jury, which has been in session for two weeks past. Judge Keen has warned the jurors against talking about the probe, but it is known that many true bills have been found. The popular belief is that the number will run into the hundreds. Judge Keen, who will institute similar investigations in the two adjoining counties which complete his circuit, is personally in charge of the probe and witnesses from every section of the county are being taken before the inquisitorial body.

Bristol whiskey shippers were called upon today to tell of big pre-election shipments of whiskey into Lee county, each shipment consisting of many small packages.

DR. H. A. KELLY HAS TYPHOID

Surgeon's Physician Issued Positive Statement About Ailment

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 18.—Dr. Howard A. Kelly, the noted Baltimore surgeon, has typhoid fever. An official statementn to this effect was given out yesterday from a sanatorium, Eutaw Place, near Mosher street, where he is being treated.

Dr. Thomas B. Futcher, the attending physician, said his patient is doing well and no alarm is felt for his recovery. So far the fever has not been high, although constant.

Dr. Kelly has been ill since Thanksgiving Day and has refrained from work since. It was not until two weeks ago his condition compelled him to take his bed. For the first few days it was thought he was suffering from grip, but blood tests revealed the true nature of his ailment.

We have the largest line of Xmas Cakes in the city. Fruit Cake, "Home Made." Pound Cake, Citron Cake, Sally White Cake. Call at our Bakery and look for yourself. Farris Bakery, 121 South Front. de 18-6t.

A large shipment of Furs have been received by C. H. Fore & Co. **

RAILROAD IS IN RECEIVERS' HANDS

Wabash Rrilroad Company's Bonded Indebtedness Is $114,000,000.

ONE OF LARGEST SYSTEMS

One of Pioneer Railroads Built by Jay Gould—For Several Years Had Paid No Dividends on Securities.

St. Louis, Dec. 18.—On the application of the Westinghouse Air Brake Company, Judge Elmer B. Adams in the United States Circuit Court this afternoon appointed Frederick J. Delano, Edward B. Pryor and W. T. Bixby receivers of the Wabash Railroad Company. The receivers' bond was fixed at $300,000 each, to be given in ten days. Wells H. Blodgett, who has been general counsel of the road, was appointed counsel for the receivers.

F. J. Delano is president of the road now and Mr. Pryon until recently was a director.

No statement could be obtained from the railroad company early tonight regarding the claims involved in the receivership proceedings, but it was said in some quarters that it was $18,000. The management has been hampered in the operation of the road, according to statements of its representatives, by the fact that insufficient funds were forthcoming for the adequate maintenance of the road's property and equipment.

The company's total bonded debt amounts to over $114,000,000 and is one of the heaviest per mile of any railroad in the country. Besides being burdened by these heavy fixed charges the company a few years ago became involved with heavy obligations in connection with the purchase of the Wheeling & Lake Erie and the building of the Babash-Pittsburg terminal.

George Gould and the Gould estate are credited with control of the Wabash system.

For Readjusting Road's Finances.

New York, Dec. 18.—The appointment of a receiver for the Wabash Railroad Company is the sequence of the appointment here about two weeks ago at a meeting of directors of a committee to readjust the finances of the road which for several months past had been the subject of grave concern to the road's various security holders.

The receivership is said here to be of an entirely friendly nature and to have been the outcome of the committee's deliberations as to the best possible way of placing the Wabash on its feet. This committee consisted of Winslow S. Pierce, chairman; Edwin Hawley, Robert Goelet, Alvin W. Krech and Gen. Thomas H. Hubbard, of whom the first four were elected directors at the meeting. These four men are also directors of the Equitable Trust Company, trustees of the railroad's $40,000,000 first refunding and extension 4 per cent. mortgage bonds, the semi-annual interest on which is due January 1 next. This amounts to $800,000 and it was the company's lack of funds to provide for its payment that precipitated the present situation, it is understood.

Announcement of a protective committee for these bonds was made tonight, consisting of Robert Goelet, Edwin Hawley, Thomas H. Hubbard, Alvin W. Krech, Robert Fleming and Winslow S. Pierce. This committee met tonight and announced that it would "conduct as expeditionously as possible an investigation of the financial condition and requirements of the road and of the physical conditions and requirements of its properties with the object of formulating and carrying out in co-operation with Kuhn, Loeb & Co., such measures as may seem to be best adapted to the situation and to meet the wants and develop the possibilities of the properties."

The company's last annual report for the fiscal year ending June 30th showed a deficit of $403,000 under the requirements necessary to pay the company's total interest charges, but arrangements were made by the directors at that time to provide the money for the July fist payment. Since that date, the monthly earnings reported by the company have shown a steady falling off.

The Wabash system is one of the pioneer railroad properties built up and developed by Jay Gould and began its present corporate existence as the Wabash Railroad Company in 1889. It now operates a total trackage of 2,514 miles, one of the longest railroad systems in the country.

Its outstanding capital stock amounts in round numbers to $92,000,000, of which $53,000,000 is common and $39,000,000 preferred. It has for several years payed no dividends on either security. Frederick J. Delano has been President since 1909.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 18.—The executive committee of the Confederate Memorial Association announced tonight that the contract for the erection of Confederate memorial institute, popularly known as the Battle Abbey, had been awarded to Philadelphia, the lowest bidder. The building which is to be completed within twelve months, will be located in Richmond and will be the permanent depository of all Confederate memento

HARDEEVILLE ROBBERS.

Woman Comes to Rescue of Men Held at Savannah, Ga.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 18.—Mrs. M. W. McFail, the Hardeeville lady with whom George H. Hill and Henry Eckstrom, the Baltimoreans under arrest here for robbing the Coast Line train last Tuesday morning boarded, comes to their defense in an interview given a representative of the Savannah Press at her home yesterday. Mrs. McFail says the accused were undoubtedly in their room at her home at 1 o'clock the morning of the robbery. She is sure of this because she was ill that night and when her daughter arose to administer to her one of the men called out to know if there was anything they could do. Mrs. McFail explains the presence of the greasy and dirty rags in the room of the men by saying that they had been helping her in cleaning house and had used these rags in cleaning their hands. They had placed them in a fireplace after the cleaning was over and had partially burned them. The detectives also found in the room of the men what they termed a "false front," which they have believed one of the men wore to make him appear larger than he really was. Mrs. McFail says this was a piece of cotton quilting which she herself hung in the closet of her lodgers' room. The effects of the men were at all times open to inspection during the several days they were with Mrs. McFail, and she says that they had nothing that was in the least suspicious.

BANKER MORSE.

No Improvement in His Condition Say the Physicians.

Atlanta, Dec. 18.—The report of the military physicians at Fort McPherson on the condition of Charles W. Morse was forwarded to the Department of Justice last Saturday, it is learned here. Friends of the former New York banker hope President Taft who has been delaying action on Morse's application for a parole from him 15-year sentence until the physicians could report on his condition, will dispose of the case by Christmas.

The report in effect declared that Morse's condition is the same as when he was removed from the Federal prison several weeks ago. The removal was at the President's direction, it is declared, after representation had been made to him regarding the prisoner's health.

CUTS OUT MIDDLEMEN.

Consumers' League Formed in Indianapolis Headed by the Mayor.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 18.—Mayor Shank's personally conducted sale of turkeys and potatoes at cut prices has inspired the formation of an association to reinforce the mayor in his "war on the middle man."

The two thousand shares of stock in the Wage Earners' Co-operative Association were put on sale today at $5 a share. Its organizers plan to open a depot where the ultimate consumer of foodstuffs shall meet the producer, thereby eliminating the jobbers' profits. The campaign for extended membership will be made largely through the central labor union.

Trustees Confirmed Sale

Yesterday at noon the board of trustees of the Y. M. C. A., held a meeting in the directors' room of the Murchison National Bank at which the action of the board of directors of the association in selling the Y. M. C. A. building to Mr. J. J. Loughlin for $60,000 was unanimously concurred in The deed of transfer is to be made some time before the 1st of the year. The action of the board of trustees removes all doubt as to the sale of the property and makes certain that the Association is to have a new building. The site has not yet been selected.

Next Meeting After Holidays.

The last regular meeting of Companies A and B of the Boys' Brigade before the Christmas holidays was held at the armory last night with a goodly number of members in attendance. The feature of the meeting was the annual address, often referred to as the "love feast", of Col. Walker Taylor, founder and commander of the institution, who was heard with much interest. The next business meeting of the organization will be held the first Wednesday night in January. Activities at the Brigade have been practically suspended until after the holidays.

Campbell Encampment Elects

At the regular meeting of Campbell Encampment No. 1, I. O. O. F., held in the lodge rooms last night, the following officers were elected: Chief Patriarch, J. W. Overby; High Priest, Wellington Tatum; Senior Warden, A. F. Walton; Junior Warden, D. Rountree; Scribe, Jno. E. Wood; treasurer, A. T. Parker; Trustees, Jno. E. Wood, W. L. Smith, and W. H. Yopp. These officers will be installed at the first meeting in January by District Deputy Grand Patriarch Charles W. Stewart, of this city.

Inconsequential Fire Sunday.

The fire department was called out Sunday afternoon about 4 o'clock on account of a blaze at the establishment of the Crescent Candy Co. The firemen did effective work and the blaze was extinguished in a few minutes with no loss to the stock of goods. The office was damaged to the extent of $50, Mr. J. R. Hanby, the proprietor, stated in discussing the fire yesterday. The origin of the fire has not yet been determined, but it is thought that a coal must have fallen from the furnace and ignited some paper or chips on the floor.

Collect Brunswick Taxes.

For the convenience of Wilmington owners of Brunswick county property, Sheriff J. J. Knox will be at Goodman's store, on Market street, from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M., today and will be glad to issue receipts to any who may desire to settle their delinquencies.

Berlin, Dec. 18.—Crown Princess Cecilia, the wife of Crown Prince Frederick William, gave birth to a son at 1 o'clock this morning. The Crown Princess was Duchess Cecilia of Mecklenburg-Schwerin. Her marriage with Crown Prince Frederick William took place June 6th, 1905. The family of the royal couple now consists of four sons.

Wooden tubs should be used for washing glass and delicate china, as there is far less danger of breakage.

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS

SOMETHING FOR BABY

Of course you are going to remember the little tots, and there isn't a thing you can think of that will make a more suitable gift than a pair of these fur- or ribbon-trimmed slippers.

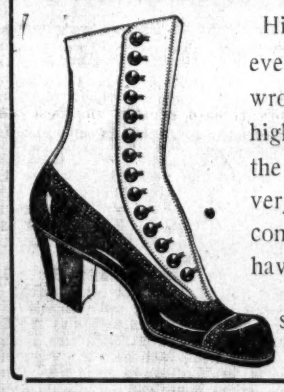
They're warm and cozy, and come in almost any color you may desire, for only....

50c, 75c, and $1.00.

SOMETHING EXTRA NICE FOR THE LITTLE MISSES.

This high cut boot for the little girls is the very latest thing in shoes. Very attractive and made of the same material that goes into our women's shoes. Any little Miss would be proud of a present like this, and you could not select anything more suitable..... **$2.50**

A HANDSOME PRESENT FOR THE LADIES.



High cut boots are all the rage, everywhere, and you can't go wrong in giving a pair of these high cuts to any lady. They are the very essence of style, the very best of quality and the most comfortable shoe made. We have them in all leathers and all styles. . . . . **$3.00 to $4.50.**

Just at this time everybody is puzzling themselves over what to give as Christmas Presents.

The tendency now-a-days is to give something Useful, and if you will come to us, we will solve your Christmas present problems for you, whether it is something for Baby, Mother, Sister, Brother, Father, Grandma or Grandpa.

This is the place to select the Most Suitable Gifts for any member of the family, because a nice pair of Shoes is always acceptable and appreciated—they make sensible, serviceable gifts and constant reminders of the giver.

Our Holiday stock of the very latest styles, in all leathers, is the Largest and Most Complete we have ever shown at this season of the year, and you'll have no trouble in finding just what you want, at just the price you want to pay for it. Before making your selections, come around and look our stock over, and let us help you by making suggestions that we know will be of assistance in getting Christmas presents for your family and friends.

A PRESENT WITH EVERY PURCHASE OF $2.00 OR MORE THIS WEEK.

MAKE HER HAPPY WITH A PAIR OF THESE.

Every lady should have a pair of these felt slippers for wearing around the home. We have them in all colors, fur and ribbon trimmed (we also have them for the men) and if you want to select something "real nice," at a little cost, get her a pair of these felts; **$1.25** and up.

YOUR BOY WILL APPRECIATE A PAIR OF THESE

Give the boy a pair of these Patent Leather Shoes, on the latest last, if you want to see him swell up with pride. These shoes have a "mannish" look and are built for rough service. They will be highly prized and you ought to get a pair now and let us lay them aside.—

$2.50 to $3.50.

A SUITABLE, SERVICEABLE GIFT THAT ANY MAN WILL APPRECIATE.

It isn't so hard after all to make a man happy—simply give him a pair of these "Craddock" shoes and see him smile. He knows they are the best shoes made and you can get them in all leathers, any style and the price is only—

$3.50.

Wilmington Shoe Company,

217 North Front Street. - - - - - L. W. WESSELL, Manager.

We sell for LESS because we sell for CASH.

SAVED 1,000 DIMES

Then Denver, Col., Waitress Received Many Proposals for Marriage

Denver, Col., Dec. 18.—Deluged with letters and with Christmas gifts, Miss Ivy Cole, a waitress in a local cafe who saved up 1,000 dimes received in tips within one year to buy a fur coat is amazed at the attention her frugality has attracted.

She has received letters and postal cards from many parts of the country and proposals of marriage from East, West, North and Suth.

Miss Cole began saving all the dime tips she received a year ago last Thanksgiving Day. One day before Thanksgiving of the present year she had saved exactly $100, or 1,000 dimes.

Berlin, Ger., Dec. 18.—The alleged discovery of a British plot to blow up the naval harbor at Wilhelmshaven, published in the Rhenish Westphalian Gazette, is regarded in official circles in the light of newspaper nonsense. While the story is not denied, it is considered as the product of the prevailing espionage mania in Germany and England. Espionage certainly existed but in less fanatical forms than that related in the Gazette.

Linen stained by ink should be immediately dipped in buttermilk. Repeat this until the stain disappears.

DIED.

YATES—At the family residence, No. 110 North Fourth street, at 12 o'clock, midnight, MRS. ALICE CAROLINE YATES, beloved wife of Mr. Chas. W. Yates, in the 67th year of her age.

Funeral announcement later.

FOR THE FERTILIZER INDUSTRY

A Scheme of Agricultural Advancement by Secretary Wilson

Washington, Dec. 18.—The conversion of desert basins into fields of supply for the fertilizer industry is part of the scheme of agricultural advencement favored by Secretary of Agriculture Wilson and heartily endorsed by President Taft in a message to Congress today. The message was a cordial letter of transmittal of a preliminary report on the fertilizer resources of the United States. The report showed that the use of fertilizers involves an annual expenditure of about $120,000,000 which is likely to be greatly increased as modern agricultural methods are adopted.

The report stated that there had been some public alarm not only on account of the large shipments of phosphate rock to foreign ports but also on account of phosphate lands passing into the hands of foreign owners. The report, however, found that a great majority of these lands were in American hands and that the tendency was distinctly toward an increase in that direction.

From American sources an ample supply of both classes of fertilizers can readily be obtained and in the case of potash the supply may be maintained indefinitely if obvious of control are adopted. The annual production of ammonium sulphate should be approximately 640,000 tons, value at $30,000,000. Actually 35,000 tons, valued at $1,840,00 are being produecd while about 14,000 tons valued at about $5,300,00 are annually imported.

Investigations are under way for the extraction of potash from solicate and other minerals and from wastes, and bi-products.

NEW FERTILIZER PLANT

Contract for New Factory in Charlotte is Awarded

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 18.—Contractor J. A. Jones has again been successful in a competition for the awarding of the contract for the building of the big plant of the Inter-State Chemical Corporation, the plant to be located on the Seaboard Air Line Railway, west of the city.

The new plant will represent a total cost of $350,000 including buildings, land and machinery. The plant will include acid chambers, storage room for raw and finished product, and the main building. This plant will turn out 50,000 tons of fertilizers annually. The plant is to be completed within 120 working days.

OCTOGENARIAN TRIED.

Arraigned in New Mexico for Murder Thirty Years Ago.

Albuquerque, N. M., Dec. 18.—White haired and bent, Donaccio Espalin, 80 years old, was today on the instructions of the court, adjudged innocent of a murder which it was alleged he committed 36 years ago.

Espalin was on trial in the district court of Don Ana county at Las Cruces. Two witnesses of the alleged killing, men who then were boys, were among those who testified.

Espalin, after the killing, went to Old Mexico, where he remained until a few months ago, when he went to Ysleta, Texas, where he was arrested.

The evidence, the court declared, was at this late date too incomplete and vague to incriminate Espalin.

A level teaspoonful of salt will give flavor to a quart of soup, sauce or vegetables.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 18.—The hotel Pulaski of this city, probably has the most gruesome security for a board bill that has been left on the hands of a landlord in some time. It is a coffin which was left there by a drummer for undertakers supplies two weeks ago. The proprietors of the hotel have tried to get the negro waiters to take chances on the exhibit in a raffle, but they will not do it. Neither will they touch it to move it out of the store room where it now is. The proprietors are puzzled to know what to do with it.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—Lafayette Gleason, member of the New York State Republican Committee, arrived in Chicago last night and reserved 65 rooms at a Michigan avenue hotel for delegates from his State to the Republican National Convention, which will open June 28th.

London, Dec. 18.—Allan Ross McDougall, who hurled a missile at Chancellor David Lloyd-George as he was leaving a woman's liberal meeting on Saturday evening, was sentenced today to two months at hard labor. Lloyd-George received the missile in the face.

Akron, Ohio, Dec. 18.—Joe Gorman, champion middle-weight of the Pacific Coast, was knocked out by George Chip, of Pittsburg, tonight in the fifth round of what was to have been a 12-round bout. A stiff left to the jaw, followed by a hard right to the stomach, did the work.

For a refreshing dinner salad toss white cherries, bits of orange and banana in French dressing, and servie on lettuce leaves.

REPLIED TO CRITICISM.

Virginia Congressman Defends His Bill Before Congress.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Representative James Hay, of Virginia, chairman of the House Military Affairs committee today issued a statement in reply to the criticism of his army reorganization bill contained in the annual report of Major General Leonard Wood, chief of staff of the army, which was made public yesterday. Mr. Hay declares that Gen. Wood has changed front since he appeared before the committee last Summer. He insists that the provisions of his measure to which the chief of staff objects principally, the consolidation of the quartermaster, commissary and paymaster departments of enlistment term and merging of adjutant generals and paymaster generals departments of the general staff, will reduce expenses and increase the efficiency of the army. They Hay bill will be considered when the army appropriation measure comes before the House.

Odessa, Minn., Dec. 18.—Nine persons were killed in a wreck on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad here today and ten or more were seriously injured when the second section of train No. 18, the Columbian, from Seattle, crashed into the first section which had been stopped on signal.

USEFUL GIFTS

FOR FATHER, MOTHER, BROTHER OR SISTER:

Ladies' Felt Slippers, all colors . . . . . **$1.00 to $1.50**
Ladies' Boudoir Slippers, all colors **$1.00**
Ladies' Evening Slippers, a variety of styles. . . . **$3.50**
Ladies' White Buckskin Button Boots . . **$4.50 to $5.00**
Men's Felt Slippers, black **$1.50**
Men's Kid Opera Slippers, black and tan. **$1.50 and $1.75**
Men's Dancing Pumps, patent and gun metal . . **$2.50**
Puttee Riding Leggins . . . . . **$3.50 and $4.00**

STORE OPEN EVENINGS THIS WEEK.

HEWLETT & PRICE

Cheapest for Cash.

109 Market Street.

ATTEMPTED STORE-BREAKING

Young White Men Bound Over to Superior Court Yesterday—Decision in Grimes Case—Godwin Case Today

That the tidal wave of crime which is sweeping over the city is swelling as Christmas approaches was evidenced by the congested docket in the Recorder's court yesterday morning. Many were the offenders lined up at the bar of justice and many were the crimes and petty offences which were written against their names. Though quite a number were disposed of, most of the important or interesting cases were continued until today or later in the week.

Two white men, or boys, Walter Troutman, alias "Crouch," and Frank Cumber, were charged with one of the gravest offences in the lot of mourners who heard their fate yesterday. Th boys were bound over to Superior Court on a charge of attempted store-breaking, their bond being fixed at $300. Jalor John Branch became surety for the boys.

It was alleged that the men attempted to enter Mr. T. E. Costin's store at Greenfield, just south of the city, Sunday evening. Mr. Costin, himself, was the chief witness against the two boys. He testified that when he left his store Sunday afternoon he noticed the two boys sitting nearby, and that when he had gotten some distance away he became suspicious of them and went back. He said that he found Troutman and Cumber at the store trying to pry off the staple at one of the windows in an effort to get into the place, and that when he asked them why they were trying to break into his store they stated that they wanted something to drink.

Mr. Costin had the warrants issued for the men and they were arrested early yesterday morning by police officers.

Abraham Watson and Louis Clinton, colored, were found guilty of an assault with a deadly weapon upon Alex. Hall, another negro, and were fined $25 and costs each. The negroes became involved in a quarrel over the sum of 15 cents and Watson and Clinton assaulted Hall, one with an axe and the other with a rock. Hall used a knife in defending himself, carving several crude sketches on Watson's kinky poll, which, however, did not amount to serious injuries. A case charging Hall with an assault with a deadly weapon was dismissed.

D. J. Williams, colored, was found guilty of carrying a concealed weapon and was given the alternative of paying a fine of $25 and costs or aiding the county in its road work for the next three months.

W. J. Darrow, white, charged with disorderly conduct, forfeited a $10 bond. Eight drunks contributed the usual $5 and costs and one drunk was let off on the payment of costs.

A case charging Hattie Simpson, colored, with selling cocaine, was continued until Wednesday; one charging Fannie Carroll, colored, with vagrancy, was continued until Thursday; another against Ruth Allison, a white woman of the local underworld, charged with assault and battery and also violating the prohibition law, was continued until Wednesday, and another against Jeanette White and Betsy Mills, colored, charged with an affray, until today.

Willie Green, colored, was charged with house-breaking and resisting an officer. His case was continued until Wednesday. Moses Bryant, colored, who possesses an unsavory reputation in police circles, faces four separate charges, two of larceny, one of attempted burglary and another of disorderly conduct. His case is also slated to come up tomorrow.

A case charging William Parker, colored, with larceny by trick, is still another slated for tomorrow.

Annie Riddle, a young girl of the local underworld, was tried on a charge of disorderly conduct. Judgment was reserved in her case. She is a material witness in the case against Pete Peterson, a young white man, charged with selling cocaine, and also in the case against Ruth Allison, charged with violating the prohibition law. It is understood that the local post of the Salvation Army is to take her in charge and it is probable that she will be sent back to her home at Fayetteville.

A case charging Gertrude Watters, colored, with running a disorderly house, was continued until today. A nol pros with leave was taken in the case charging Maggie Allen, Addie Grady, Mary Kennedy, and Ella and Mary Graves, colored, with vagrancy.

In the case against Mr. J. O. Grimes, a merchant of East Wilmington, charged with receiving stolen goods knowing them to have been stolen, Recorder Furlong yesterday rendered a verdict of not guilty. The case was tried one day last week and Mr. Furlong desired time for consideration. It was alleged that Mr. Grimes bought a lot of goods that were stolen from Mr. C. A. Workheiser's store, and that he knew that they had been stolen at the time.

The case charging Mr. John W. Plummer, the Front street confectioner, with violating the ordinance relative to the size of firecrackers which may be sold in the city, was continued until today.

The much-continued Mack Godwin case is slated to come up this morning. Godwin is charged with an assault with a deadly weapon upon F. H. Jones and there is a suspended judgment of three months on the county roads registered against him. The case has been called a number of times, but the defendant has not been in court, presenting certificates from his physician stating that he was too unwell to attend. A subpoena has been issued against the physician, Dr. F. H. Russell, to appear in court today and explain just what is the matter with Godwin. It was rumored on the streets yesterday that Godwin had left the city.

Funeral of An Infant

The funeral of Beulah May Brown, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Brown, whose death occurred Saturday night, was held Sunday afternoon from the residence, No. 710 North Fifth street. Rev. J. A. Sullivan pastor of Brooklyn Baptist church, conducted the services, and interment was made in Bellevue cemetery. The sorrowing parents have the deepest sympathy of many friends.

CITY BOARD OF HEALTH

Regular Monthly Session Held Yesterday Afternoon—Inspection of Sewers and House Drains—Water Report

The City Board of Health met yesterday afternoon in the Mayor's office in regular monthly session with Mayor Joseph D. Smith presiding and Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt, city superintendent of health, and secretary of the body; Dr. J. C. Wessell and City Engineer F. F. Pillett in attendance. The board was in session for more than an hour during which time a number of matters pertaining to health and sanitary conditions of the city were considered.

A communication of decided interest to the board was read from Dr. Edward Jenner Wood, a new member, who found it impossible to be present yesterday. It was agreed among members that the communication was not to be considered as being formally before the body, owing to the absence of the author, but it will receive consideration at some future meeting.

A resolution was offered by Dr. Wessell, seconded by Mr. Pillett, to the effect that the board recommend to the City Council that it provide an inspector of sewers and house drains and to require all such systems of house drainage and sewerage to be properly maintained and kept in sanitary condition.

The expectorating ordinance was brought up by Dr. Wessell, who said that the law is not regarded at all in Wilmington. Mayor Smith told of an instance where a police officer barely missed the sidewalk. The Mayor had some one to notify the officer that it was against the law to expectorate on the sidewalks. Mayor Smith said that the chief of police never visited his office, otherwise he would have told him about the violations of the expectorating ordinance. Upon motion of Dr. Wessell the secretary was instructed to request the Department of Public Safety to have the police enforce the expectorating ordinance.

Upon motion of Dr. Wessell the report of Mr. George C. Phipple, on the public water supply, was endorsed and the Council is urged to adopt the recommendation contained therein. The meeting then adjourned.

FUNERAL PARLORS COMPLETE

M. H. Brimmer Company Occupies Handsome Quarters

The apartments occupied by the M. H. Brimmer Company, funeral directors and embalmers, on Second street, between Market and Princess, are now complete, after several weeks of work, and the establishmnt is one of the prettiest and most completely furnished and equipped of its kind in the State. Members of the company have received the congratulations of many of their friends who have called to inspect the parlors.

The woodwork of the office and chapel is finished in mission style and office furniture to match has been ordered. The office is a handsome one and is occupied by Mr. M. H. Brimmer, the manager, who is actively in charge.

Back of the office is the combined casket display room and chapel, which when necessary, can be used for funeral services. A system of curtains completely hides the casket display on such occasions. The system of displaying the caskets is a new one here, and serves not only to show them off well but to economize space. They are kept in upright cabinets and can be displayed at full length by turning a handle. The embalming room is in the rear of the chapel.

The company is now well-equipped to handle business and is in position to respond promptly to calls when its services are needed.

KARL LEHMANN HERE

Christian Endeavor Worker Delivered Number of Speeches

Mr. Karl Lehmann, one of the most prominent Christian Endeavor workers in this country, was in the city Saturday and Sunday, in company with Rev. R. E. Steele, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church at Lumberton, chairman of the State committee on Christian Endeavor work, and delivered a number of addresses in several churches. He also made a talk to the children of the High School yesterday and to the Ministerial Association a short time later. Mr. Lehmann is a delightful speaker and charmed all who heard him.

Sunday morning he spoke at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church and in the afternoon before the Sunday Schools of St. Andrew's and the First Presbyterian churches. At 6:30 P. M. he made an address at the Dock Street Christian Church and at 7:30 he spoke to a rally of the Christian Endeavor workers of the city at the First Presbyterian Church.

He left last evening for Denver, Col., his home, where he will spend his first Christmas at home in four years. A substantial purse was raised and presented to Mr. Lehmann while he was in the city.

Organization Meeting Held

The organization meeting of the vestry of St. John's Episcopal Church was held last night and officers were elected as follows: Senior Warden, Mr. H. G. Smallbones; Junior Warden, Prof. Washington Catlett; clerk, Mr. W. G. James; treasurer, Mr. H. F. Wilder. Other members of the vestry are: Messrs. J. F. Woolvin, W. G. Cleapor, J. Hicks Bunting, W. E. Yopp and Bertram Quelch.

IT HAS been and is our aim to furnish to the business men of this city a Comercial Banking Service so complete and so dependable that even our largest manufacturing and merchandising interests will find it unnecessary to have further Banking Facilities in the financial centers. We suggest a consultation.

The Southern National Bank
Wilmington, N. C.

NEW CROP OF BURGLARIES

Twelve Successful or Attempted Crimes Reported for Saturday and Sunday Nights—Three Arrests Made.

"Good morning. Has your house been burglarized yet?"

The above is a fac-simile of the morning greeting which is considered good form in Wilmington just at present and the reply is in the affirmative more times than one would suppose without stopping for a moment to give the matter some thought. From late Saturday night to early yesterday morning only 12 attempted or successful burglaries, store or house-breakings occurred, according to the reports on file at the police station.

But this is considered a good record for a week-end so near Christmas when many of the night-prowling gentlemen are spending the evenings in their Morris chairs smoking their merschaum pipes, having waxed fat and prosperous off the spoils reaped by their energetic efforts in the city for the past few months. It is probable that they feel that they are entitled to a holiday as well as anybody else.

Sunday night, about 11 o'clock the residence of Mr. L. E. Thomas, at No. 206 North Second street, was entered for the second time within two weeks. The family had not retired and it is presumed that the would-be Raffles entered through the front door. He went upstairs and entered the room of Mr. C. W. Lassiter, a boarder. Though the young man was lying on the bed asleep, not having removed his clothing, the burglar proceeded with his work under an electric light, carrying away four suits of clothes. In the pocket of one of them was a seven-jewel Elgin watch. As the man was leaving he stumbled over something and awakened the young man, who chased him out of the house. The matter was reported to the police and officers were on the scene within five minutes. In the yard they found the man's track. It was made by a small and well shaped shoe. The clothes were found yesterday morning, two suits on the steps and two in an alley nearby, but the watch was gone.

While the officers were investigating the robbery at Mr. Thomas' a report of another burglary was received at headquarters. This time the home of Mr. Alex Dock, No. 405 South Fifth street, was entered, the intruder boldly forcing the door and making considerable noise while at it. He took Mr. Dock's clothes and left. Mr. Dock awoke just as the man was leaving and immediately notified the police. An officer went to make an investigation, but found nothing except a few tracks. Mr. Dock's clothes were found in an adjoining yard yesterday morning, minus a small amount of change which he had left in one of the pockets.

Mr. O. A. Wiggins, at Third and Ann streets, was one of the heaviest losers visited by the burglars. His house was entered some time between midnight and dawn and Mr. Wiggins' trousers were carried to the front porch and rifled. The robber secured about $17. That the man is a careful and conscientious workman is shown by the fact that he carefully folded the pants and left them hanging over the back of a chair on the front porch, where they were found yesterday morning. A member of the household was up until 1 o'clock, and about 12:30 she heard some one moving around, but thought no more about it at the time. After the robbery was discovered yesterday morning she recalled the noise heard at midnight and is certain that the burglar was in the house at that time. The burglary was one of the boldest that has occurred in the city. The intruder entered through a window from the front porch, then went into the library and on to Mr. Wiggins' room, where he secured the richest haul that has been reported in some days.

An attempt was made to enter the home of Mr. J. W. Fleet, No. 401 South Fifth street, near Mr. Dock's residence, but the burglar did not succeed in getting in. Another attempt was made at the home of Mr. David Palmgren, No. 511 1-2 Nun street. The would-be intruder was heard fumbling at the blinds at the back of the house and was frightened away. At both the above places tracks were very much in evidence in the wet ground outside. At the home of Mr. James Wenberg, at Sixth and Castle streets, another unsuccessful attempt to enter was reported to the police.

Mr. John French, who lives at 113 North Eighth street, reported to the police that an attempt was made to enter his house. Mr. French is quoted as saying that he stood at the head of the stair steps and saw the man trying to get in the front door and that he could easily have shot him, but refrained, thinking the man would enter. However, he became frightened and fled.

Sam Boule, colored, reported that a negro had entered his house and stolen a suit of clothes. Boule lives at Seventh and Hanover streets. He gave the officers the name of a man whom he suspects and the officers are working on the case.

The residence of Mrs. H. M. Emerson and her brother-in-law, Mr. T. E. Sprunt, adjoining on Red Cross, between Front and Second streets, were entered some time Saturday night, but nothing of consequence was taken. Mrs. E. F. Johnson also reported that her home, on Ninth, between Market and Princess, was entered, but nothing of value was taken.

Willie Green, colored, was arrested by Officer R. S. Haddock for breaking into the home of Katie Lofton, colored, Sunday night. The man smashed in a window to enter and Officer Haddock, who was in the vicinity, heard the noise and went to the scene. The negro resisted the policeman strenuously, but was finally subdued.

An attempt was made to enter the store of Mr. T. E. Costin, at Greenfield, Sunday evening, and Frank Cumber and Walter Troutman, two young white men whom Mr. Costin alleges are guilty, were yesterday bound over to the Superior Court to await trial, as told in another column.

One fact was demonstrated by the series of crimes Sunday night and this is that there are two or more persons responsible for the crimes. At one place the intruder left a track made by a small, well-shaped shoe and at others a big, barefoot track was found. Owing to the rain that had fallen during the day the ground was soft and damp and the tracks were easily discernible.

$100 Reward, $100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio.
Sold by all Druggists, 75c.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

CHRISTMAS NEARLY HERE

Less Than Week Until Dawn of the Gladsome Season—Express Company and Postoffice Ready for the Rush.

The holiday rush is on in dead earnest with the merchants, express company, postoffice force and all others whose activities are increased several fold on account of the Christmas season with its resultant heavy trade, travel and traffic, and there will be little rest for any in this class until after the most eventful day in the year has arrived. This is next Monday. The labors of some will, of course, cease with the close of business Saturday night, but there are many others, especially the postoffice clerks and those connected with transportation companies will continue their work through the Sabbath in order that all may have the expected Christmas package from loved ones or friend on Christmas Day.

Following the rainy days of the latter part of last week and the enforced cessation from shopping on Sunday, the downtown district was thronged throughout the day yesterday with merry Christmas shoppers. The day was ideal for Christmas shopping or for most anything else. There were a goodly number on the streets and in the stores in the morning and in the afternoon the crowd was increased several fold. The stores have a large and varied assortment of holiday goods from which to make selections and many have their windows most attractively and appropriately decorated. The salespeople were kept fairly busy yesterday and they expect the number of sales to increase from day to day the remainder of the week. The merchants have made ample preparations for taking care of the rush and expect to wait on each customer as expeditiously as possible.

Express Company Ready.

The express company and the postoffice, probably the two most active places in the city at this season of the year, have everything in readiness for handing the business. Mr. J. W. Smith, agent for the Southern Express Company in this city, said yesterday that Christmas business has already begun and that he is running two extra wagons now and the number will be increased as business demands from day to day until the last Christmas package has been handled. The shipment of Christmas packages has begun a little earlier than usual this year; or rather, there have been more packages shipped up to this time than is customary and Mr. Smith is of the opinion that the public has determined to co-operate with the express company and get their packages off in ample time for them to be delivered for Christmas without working such a hardship on the express men.

Mr. Smith emphasized the importance of properly marking all packages. Only one mark should appear on the package, even though both marks should read alike. One mark is sufficient and besides two marks very frequently lead to confusion and sometimes results in the loss or serious delay of the package. It is all right to put the name of the sender in the upper left hand corner with the word "From" just preceding, while in the lower right hand corner the name of the consignee appears preceding the word "To". The following information to shippers will be of interest:

"1. All packages of freight or merchandise ought to be properly packed so that all such ordinary necessary handling, as packages must have in transportation, will not result in the breakage of the contents. The strength of the box or wrapper must always be proportionate to the character or weight of the contents. All packages should be well tied, and should be plainly marked with a marking brush or a strong tag, or a label printed or written with plain black ink, and pasted on the package.

"2. If there are any old marks on a package, they should be thoroughly obliterated. No package should be sent to the express office with two marks thereon, even though both marks should read alike. One mark is enough.

"3. If there are two places of the same name in the same State, always put the name of the county on the package. When you send a package to a city always give the full address of the consignee, the letter of advice by United States mail, notifying the consignee that you have sent a package by express.

"4. Do not pack in the same box one class of matter that might injure another class.

"5. Remember that glass will not carry without breakage unless properly packed. If you send a glass of jelly in a package of nice dress goods, and the glass breaks, you spoil your goods.

"6. Do not put any money or valuables whatever into a freight package. The way to ship money is to put it in a package by itself and take a money receipt for it, otherwise the company is not responsible. When shipping packages, always tell the receiving clerk what the value is, so that such care may be given it as its value may require.

"7. If you want to send money, take it to the money desk, where it should be properly enclosed, sealed up and addressed."

Mr. Smith said that he does not expect to have an undelivered package at the express office Christmas day. This record was established last Christmas and he hopes to maintain it this year.

At the Postoffice.

Postmaster Thos. E. Wallace said yesterday that arrangements have been made to take care of the holiday business at the local postoffice. The clerical force will be increased as well as the carrier force. As has been the custom for some years, a table will be placed in the lobby and upon this will be scales for weighing packages, as it has been found that this greatly facilitates the handling of holiday mail. Persons offering packages to be weighed are requested to say whether or not it is desired to send the packages by registered mail. Those sending mail to foreign countries are reminded that packages are sent either at the first-class rate or by parcels post and that such packages should be taken to the registry department to be mailed.

Postmaster Wallace emphasized the importance of mailing packages early. It not only greatly facilitates the handling of the mail during this rush period and insures that one's gift to a friend or loved one will arrive in time for Christmas, but will make it much easier on the mail clerks, whose work is hard even at the best. Already quite a number of packages are being mailed here and it is hoped that the people generally will pay heed to the suggestions of Postmaster Wallace to "mail early."

A large assortment of New Furs will be shown today by C. H. Fore & Co. **

Will Meet Today.

The regular weekly meating of the City Council will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock. There is nothing of special interest and importance scheduled to come up this afternoon, although it is not improbable that the sewerage matter will again be up for consideration. However, it is not known definitely whether the Council will be called upon to consider the matter today or not. It is understood that the bondholders of the sewerage company have a proposition to submit to the Council, which is practically the same proposal that was accepted by the Council a few weeks ago, but later rejected when the sewerage company failed to comply with certain provisions contained therein.

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are sensible, serviceable and beautiful, 75c. to $4.00.

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Tuesday, December 19th, 1911.

Are we the boosters we think we are? If not, why not?

Speaking about fame, who was Roscoe Conkling anyhow?

Probably those who have shopped early have run out of money.

A Boston preacher has gone into the coal business. He shows a disposition to make it warm for us.

Some newspapers in the United States are Democratic in the abstract and Republican in the concrete.

An Oklahoma town boasts of a man who has lost his lungs. He is excused if he has always blowed for his town.

Our ancient and acceptable friend, Col. Wade Harris, of the Charlotte Chronicle, should not forget that an oyster roast is awaiting him.

Georgia is on the more for drainage. The first drainage congress in that State is to begin in Waycross today. The Star is the original drainage crank.

A Boston scientist has demonstrated that 300,000,000 bacteria are removed when the average person takes a bath. How about the bath tub after the average person takes a bath?

The Atlanta Journal claims that the population of Atlanta has increased 2,000 in the past year. The Journal counts those who have come, but takes no account of those who have left for Wilmington.

Nobody knows what a woman will do. In California a woman jury acquitted an editor who had voted against woman suffrage. This is no reason why an editor should not be very careful.

In spite of all you know about it and all you say about it, Wilmington is winding up the closing year with a good record. Probably you don't know it but we do. Be an optimist and a Wilmington booster.

A physician has advised President Taft not to talk too much. The same physician should be employed by some Democrats who aspire to be President Taft's physician must be a politician who knows his business.

A legacy of $75,000 has been left to a Connecticut man with the understanding that within a week it will be forfeited if he does not marry. There is a man who could for a week have a lively time receiving sealed matrimonial proposals.

A juryman in the Hyde case at Kansas City after having been detained six weeks, got out over the transom light and escaped. He was a dairyman and had his own business to attend to. This shows that long drawn out trials can't be stood for.

Our old friend Senator LaFollette has had the hog run over him all along the pike and we wonder what he is going to do about it? Of course, the National Republican Committee was for Taft, first, last and all the time, and decided on Chicago as the place and June 18th the date for renominating Taft. Taft was for Chicago and the National Committee was for Taft. The National Committee is composed mostly of politicians of the regular type, and insurgency cut about as much ice in it as Dr. Cook did at the North Pole. That was to be expected. The whole thing's reactionary just as we have been predicting. The thing that worries us, however, is LaFollette's position after Taft's nomination is made. Will he come on and be at home in the Democratic party or will be find some excuse for following Taft? If he does, one more of our ideals will be shattered.

OUR OYSTER INDUSTRY.

The recent fish and oyster convention at Newbern was a movement well calculated to develop one of the greatest natural resources of North Carolina. As it is, the fish and oyster business of the State already is worth many millions of dollars to the State, but it ought to be worth a hundred dollars for every one that it is now worth. The convention may not be a solution of the problem, but it is a good start in the right direction and if there is no further neglect on the part of the State, vastly improved conditions can be brought about.

We have had a legislative commission to visit the fish and oyster country to study conditions, but their trip was a hasty one. Few, if any of the commissioners had any practical knowledge of the subject, and they depended upon local interests, many of them conflicting, in order to get in touch with the existing conditions and possibilities of the industry. Their investigations would have been more profitable had they been made in Maryland and Virginia, which States have taken advanced steps in handling this question. By legislation and special study, Maryland and Virginia made considerable progress towards conserving and encouraging the oyster and fish industry, but even they yet have some problems that do not yet seem to be clearly understood. It must be said, however, that North Carolina can get the benefit of what those States have done, and probably evolve plans that may be ever superior to theirs.

However, Virginia, at least, has a system far superior to the lack of any kind in North Carolina, under which our fish and oyster industry has woefully deteriorated. While the Virginians seem to differ over some methods of handling the problem, they have evidently made enough progress to conserve the industry and make it exceedingly valuable. A Virginian who recently attended the North Carolina convention at Newbern, boasted that Virginia is getting rich furnishing oysters to North Carolina, yet this State has a vastly larger area of oyster waters than Virginia. The Virginian was telling the truth about supplying North Carolina with oysters, for everywhere one goes Norfolk oysters are on the bill of fare. Even here at Wilmington cafes advertise Norfolk oysters instead of the famous New River product, which once was the premier of all the shell fish we ever saw. To tell the truth, however, there are not enough New Rivers or good local products to supply the local demand, after the choicest are shipped away to Washington, Baltimore and New York. The whole truth is that the industry simply has gone to pieces and if it is restored it must be done right away. At best, under effective plans we could not experience much benefit under three to five years.

Very little development of the oyster business can be had till gardening is encouraged on a large scale and the natural "rocks" or beds are protected from poachers and oyster vandals. In the waters of the State which belong to the public domain there are immense areas of natural oyster "rocks" or beds where oysters propagate by the millions, to be taken by anybody and everybody that comes along. Instead of being oystermen, most of the parties who visit the rocks are oyster vandals. They carry away oysters that are under size and leave the rocks impoverished. Only oysters of a certain size ought to be taken, but anything in the shape of an oyster is scooped in and carried away.

No one attempts to garden oysters, for they would be at the mercy of the public, although the gardeners may own all the land on the water front. It strikes us that there should be some kind of leasing system by which the State could get a revenue and at the same time encourage the industry by protecting the rights of lessees from the public or oyster pirates. The leases could be under State supervision and regulation, yet the plan would be unpopular. Since the oyster waters belong to the State, the average man thinks the oyster lands ought to be free to the public. However, that is precisely the cause of the decadence of the industry. Unless the raids of the public can be prevented in some way, we need not expect any improvement of conditions, and yet how is that to be done? Our Virginia friends are up against this very proposition, and as a matter of interest on the question we reproduce this editorial from the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot:

"The Newport News Press construes an editorial article recently appearing in the Times-Dispatch of Richmond as indicating that another fight to break the Baylor Survey and lease the natural rocks to private planters will be made at the forthcoming session of the General Assembly. The Virginian-Pilot had hoped that the fate of the Byrd-Wickham bill at the last session of the Legislature had convinced the selfish interests, which have for years been moving heaven and earth to appropriate to their own private aggrandizement the State's natural seed beds, of the futility of further efforts in that direction. It still cherishes that hope. Such efforts, if continued, can only result in keeping the oyster question in a state of confusion."

Here we have differing views from the Norfolk and Richmond papers, and we rather think that the conditions and constitutional question sprung by the Virginian-Pilot would also apply to North Carolina. Nevertheless, we do not see how the natural rocks and beds are to be protected when they are subjected to indiscriminate raids. Unless the State goes into the gardening business and then supervises the catch, we cannot conceive how the State is to prevent the utter destruction of the natural beds. However, we have now begun to tackle this problem and evidently it will take considerable time to work it out to the proper solution. Let us study the question and do something since we have started.

If the State cannot do any better, it can survey the oyster beds and prohibit anybody from taking oysters for a certain number of years in certain localities to be designated and protected by the State. After from three to five years, the beds can be opened to the public and others closed for three to five years, in turn to be opened and closed alternatively. This is a big question and it requires close study and an immense amount of thought.

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PUBLICITY SLOTHS

The West has been built up on publicity while the South has been slow to appreciate its value and does not seem to have yet waked up to its great value. However, the fact that "the South is realizing itself" is due to publicity, and it has had this come from the Manufacturers' Record. While that publication is "a weekly newspaper devoted to the industrial, financial, railroad, mining, contracting, engineering, building and general interests of the South and Southwest," every bit of news of that kind has been publicity of the most inestimable value. It has not only been news at home and abroad, but it has been inspiring to the South. It has given the South publicity abroad and given capital confidence in the South. It has quickened the interest and enterprise of Southerners, and it has stood forth as the South's peculiar and special industrial champion. It has emphasized the South's matchless resources and magnified its splendid opportunities. For years, by its superior weekly editions and advantages, adaptibilities and possibilites.

To be sure the South has made progress. The story of its progress reads like a romance and that story has best been told by the Manufacturers' Record and its able editor Mr. Richard H. Edmunds, one of the Nation's greatest industrial writers and the chief promoter in the movement which set the South to work to "realize" itself. This is not saying to much in appreciation of the tremendous influence exercised by Mr. Edmonds and his great paper in the wonderful industrial and general development of the Southern States. He has combined the work of the scholar, the statistician and the economist, and frequently he turns aside from industrial matters to write ably in discussing other current and vital topics in his lucid and forceful way—matters that affect the South and its standards and its destiny. It is fortunate too, that the Manufacturers' Record is published in Baltimore, the gateway to the South, an advantageous location from which to reach those most desired to reach with the story of the South's progress.

The South itself has been slow on publicity and it is slow yet, but one aim which we have always had has been to try to impress the value of publishing abroad the attractions, advantages, opportunities, possibilities and varied resources of the different communities of the South. The Manufacturers' Record is doing that with every issue and it is giving North Carolina its full share. There is not an issue that does not place North Carolina's potentialities in the limelight. In the issue of December 14th, eastern North Carolina comes in for a piece of publicity that ought to have a far-reaching effect. It is an article by Mr. Walter Sharp on "Tidewater North Carolina as a Future Market Garden for the Country." It tells especially of the Currituck and coastal region of the northeastern portion of the State, yet its scope includes this section around Wilmington. In Sunday's Star we reviewed that article and copied some of its references to the wonderful agricultural resources of eastern North Carolina. Those who read Mr. Sharp's article must have been tremendously impressed with the marvelous development that has been brought about in the once unknown regions of the far east tidal country. It is a country rich beyond belief and it wasn't known away from home till recently. It is being made known now and the country is being settled and developed along the Norfolk-Southern and the Atlantic Coast Line's branches as far as they reach. The reason that country is developing is because publicity has been given to its resources. The reason it had so long remained terra incognita was for lack of intelligent publicity. When we observe what a revelation can be created by such publicity as the Manufacturers' Record furnishes in Mr. Sharp's article, why is it that we don't go to work in a systematic way to make known the tremendous attractions and opportunities which eastern North Carolina holds out for homeseekers?

PENSIONS FOR VETERANS.

This is a pension country and we doubt whether anything that can be said by either Northern of Southern papers will prevent the United States from paying decrepit and age pensions to the soldiers who risked their lives and health and fought its battles on small pay. The only thing that can be said about it, as we conceive it, is to protest against the payment of undeserved and unjust pensions, but unless all the pension bills are closely scrutinized and the applications for pensions are fully investigated, it will be difficult to say that the Nation is extravagant.

The fact is, we have to trust to Congress in this matter, for it is the sole judge of it. We are not prepared to call its work "a pension steal," or a "pension grab", while no doubt the whole country would deprecate anything like extravagance in the apparent determination to take care of the Nation's old soldiers.

No doubt the country will be mulcted in many particulars, but the broad question of paying pensions to worthy soldiers of all the Nation's wars is so manifestly just that it becomes a delicate matter to oppose it, except from the standpoint of an actual raid on the treasury for the payment of pensions that were never earned. In the case of deserved pensions, the South can have no word of protest. It only wishes it could pay deserving and needy Confederate veterans a dollar a day in their declining days. However, there is no need of pensioning patriots who do not need government help, but we doubt whether Congress will do that.

The pension bill now pending in Congress has created a stir all over the country, and Congressmen of both parties are for and against it. All but one North Carolina Congressman (Mr. Gudger) voted against it, while the Democratic Speaker, the Hon. Champ Clark, voted in its favor. We observe that it is a matter on which Democrats in Congress have divided, and no doubt all have done so with patriotic motives. It is a matter upon which Republicans can also divide, for the matter of pensions is not a party measure. It is a government policy and national precedent. We have our doubts whether a vote for or against the dollar a day pension will affect anybody's chances for the Presidency, and we would hate to see that question ever made an issue, for the side which opposes meritorious pensions would surely go down to defeat.

Much that has been said on the question is premature, for Congress has not yet acted and finally it may pass the bill in a shape that the whole country will endorse. Whatever may be said in haste, it will be found that the South will never fail to support reasonable pension measures, for the South is a part of the Nation and will act accordingly. The South is not sectional but patriotic and in sympathy with what we conceive is a grateful and beneficent Republic.

Do you think Wilmington has all the ship terminals she wants? Well, if you think that way, ask Collector of Customs Keith how much business has been turned away from the port of Wilmington because of the lack of warehouse facilities. There is a demand for more harbor warehouses in Wilmington in order to meet the demand of commerce in the port. Are you looking for an investment?

Some North Carolinians may wonder why it was that Webb was "paired" with Rainey and Faison was "paired" with Hamlin on the "dollar a day" pension bill. The fact is some Republicans are such clever fellows, a good Democrat has to pair with them. A Republican Congressman who wished to be absent and could not get a Democrat to "pair" with him would have to explain a whole lot of things to his constituents. Same way with a Democrat. The "pair" means that the absent Congressman's vote is saved by the courtesy of a Republican or a Democratic friend, as the case may be. Courtesies are exchanged and one good turn deserves another. It should be stated that although Rainey and Hamlin are Republicans, they are clever fellows and a "pair" with them is all right. What is politics between friends, anyhow?

CURRENT COMMENT.

And now the Hoffman House, New York city, is to be raised, to make room for a store. For years the Hoffman House was famous as the head quarters of Democratic leaders. Tilden and Cleveland and Hill met party organizers there and many important conferences were held in the Haffman's parlors. What the Fifth avenue was to the Republicans the Hoffman was to the Democrats. Gradually the landmarks of the New York our fathers knew are disappearing.—Savannah News.

An automobile show of southwide scope and interest is being planned to take place in Atlanta next February. This is a timely enterprise that will mean much to the State and the section as well as the city and to the individual motorist as well as to the manufacturer. Atlanta is famous the Union over as an automobile center. A great number, if not, indeed, a majority, of the country's manufacturers are represented here by branch establishments. The city is truly an emporium for the buyers and the sellers of motor vehicles and accessories. There is thus a broad and substantial foundation at the outset for such an exhibition as has been projected. It will attract visitors from every quarter of the State and the South and will prove in its particular field, one of the year's most notable events. Especially fortunate is the fact that the date of the show has been for February 10-17. By that time the makers will be ready to display all their latest models so that the exhibition will present the final word on the perfected skill and strength and style of the motor industry. The show is to be held under the auspices of the Atlanta Automobile and Accessory Association. It will have the support of the city's business leadership and of effective influences throughout the country. The general public as well as those directly interested in automobiles will eagerly await its opening.—Atlanta Journal.

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SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Miss Maggie Fennell returned yesterday morning from a visit to her former home at Kerr.

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The Civic Department of Sorosis will hold its regular monthly meeting this afternoon in the club room at the Library.

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Sunday's Charlotte Observer: "Mr. John Edward Jussely has gone to Kenansville, N. C., to join Mrs. Jussely, who is visiting her mother, Mrs. N. F. Hinson."

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Mrs. Isabelle T. St. Amand and son, Mr. Ashley T. St. Amand, will leave Friday for Charleston, S. C., where they will spend the Christmas holidays with relatives.

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The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. will meet for a short session in the parlors of the association at 4 o'clock this afternoon. All members are requested to be present.

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Friends of Miss Hattie Taylor will be much interested in the announcement of her engagement to Mr. Frederick M. Schiller, of New York City. They will be quietly married on Monday, January 1st, 1912.

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The regular monthly meeting of Cape Fear Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, will be held at 4 o'clock this afternoon at the W. L. I. armory. The meeting will be held promptly at 4 o'clock and a full attendance is desired.

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Among the social functions of the holiday season is a reception to be given Tuesday evening, December 26th, by Mrs. William Augustus Wright, in honor of Miss Marie Grainger, one of the season's debutantes. This will be one of the most elaborate entertainments of the season.

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Invitations have been issued by a number of the society belles to a leap-year dance, which will be given by the debutantes in the Masonic Temple on Monday evening, January 1st, 1912. The young ladies will provide carriages and will go for the young men as is customary at leap year dances.

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The Literary-Social Department of the Epworth League of Grace Methodist Church will hold its regular monthly meeting in the lecture room this evening at 8 o'clock. All members are invited to be present and bring a donation for the poor, either silver or groceries.

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The next number of the Boys' Brigade Lyceum Course will be presented on Thursday night when the famous Swedish impersonator and entertainer, Karl Jansen, will provide the entertainment. Reserved seat tickets will go on sale tomorrow morning at W. R. Dosher's. Admission is [illegible] cents for children under 12 years.

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Mr. E. F. Pillett, city engineer, and his bride, who was formerly Miss Wilda Ames, of Vicksburg, Miss., arrived yesterday morning from their bridal tour, having been married in Vicksburg on December 6th. Mr. T. A. Barnes, of this city, was best man at the wedding. Mrs. Pillett will receive a most cordial welcome in the city.

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All friends and the general public are reminded that the minstrel [illegible] Circle has only [illegible] more days in which they [illegible] Ten Cop Tan in the [illegible] occupied by the W. [illegible] & Trust Company [illegible] and would appreciate [illegible] ir friends and the [illegible] company [illegible] They serve [illegible] tea and [illegible] chocolate [illegible] and cake and [illegible] rs will find [illegible] while down [illegible] season

SUNDAY.

New Catholic Cathedral Crowded—Bishop Haid Present.

The first service in the new Catholic Cathedral at Fifth and Ann streets was held Sunday morning, at which time the handsome structure was taxed to its seating capacity with members of the congregation and friends. The service was an imposing one and was conducted by Rev. Father C. Dennan, the rector, assisted by Rev. Father Thos. P. Hayden, the assistant rector. Rt. Rev. Leo Haid, of Belmont, Bishop of the Catholic Church of North Carolina, and Rev. Father Marion, of Asheville, who superintended the construction of the new Cathedral, were also present. It was announced at the morning service that the new building will be known as St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral and this title will be conferred when the formal dedication is held in the Spring.

Bishop Haid and Father Dennen made pleasant references to the completion of the church Sunday morning and the Bishop also delivered a short talk, explaining how the new structure, in its design, finish and appearance, carried out the symbols of the Catholic faith.

A Pretty Marriage

A pretty marriage was celebrated Sunday evening at the parsonage of Trinity Methodist Church. Mr. H. M. Turner and Miss Ethel Maye Pearson were happily united in marriage, the ceremony being performed by Rev. E. C. Sell, pastor of Trinity M. E. Church. Only a few intimate friends of the young people were present. The groom is an efficient employe in one of the A. C. L. general offices and the bride is the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Pearson, of this city. This popular young couple have the best wishes of their many friends for a long and happy life. They will make Wilmington their home for the present.

Contract for Asphalt Macadam

Bids were opened yesterday at noon in the office of Councilman P. Q. Moore for building a road with asphalt macadam on 15th street. Only two bids were received, both from Norfolk, Va., firms, one being $1.38 a square yard and the other $1.63 a square yard. Mr. F. J. McGuire, of Norfolk, was the lowest bidder, and Councilman Moore will recommend to Council that he be given the contract. The improvement consists of approximately 3,000 square yards.

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LOCAL DOTS.

---The regular weekly meeting of the Bible Study Class of the Y. M. C. A., was not held last night as is the custom each Monday night. The next meeting will be held the second Monday evening in January.

—Thursday night of this week the young members of the Y. M. C. A. will be entertained at a boys' banquet at the rooms of the Association. The young members are looking forward with much interest to the occasion.

—Bill Townsend, colored, was arrested yesterday by Patrolman Leon George on a warrant charging him with vagrancy, and when searched the negro was found to be carrying a large and dangerous-looking Smith & Wesson revolver.

—James Gore, colored, was arrested last night by Mounted Officers R. S. Haddock and A. A. Nelms, on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon. The negro was carrying a loaded shot gun in his hands and also had a revolver concealed in his pocket.

---Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: Abraham Watson to Elijah M. Green, for $5 and other considerations, lot on southwest corner of 14th and Ann streets, 33x85 feet in size; R. M. McIntyre and wife to A. J. Matthews, for $100 and other considerations, lot on Meadows, 150 feet east of 10th street, 30x75 feet in size.

—The police had two burglary calls last night, but it seems to have been a false alarm in each instance. One call was to a residence on Chestnut, between Fourth and Fifth, and the other was at Third and Walnut streets. In both instances it was thought that some one was heard in the back yard. The police could find no intruder at either place.

—"Reverend" Swinton, colored, was arrested at Front and Market streets yesterday afternoon by Patrolman W. R. Applebury on a charge of larceny. It is alleged that the negro was an accomplice of "Son" Darling, who is now serving a five year sentence on the county roads, in the larceny of a pair of shoes, and that several similar crimes can be placed at his door.

—The Star has with the compliments of Mr. W. P. Emerson, commercial agent of the Chesapeake & Ohio lines, a very neat and useful calendar for the New Year. The dates are in large, black figures, each month being given on a separate sheet with some of the views along this great railway system, while on the fly leaf is a valuable compendium of shipping momorandum that is invaluable to every business man.

—Walter Landen, a young white man, charged with a nameless crime, was yesterday found not guilty, by Magistrate W. H. Cox, to whom the case was moved on the affidavit of the defendant that he could not get justice before Magistrate Harriss, on the ground that the material witness was too young to qualify. L. Clayton Grant, Esq., and W. P. Gafford, Esq., appeared for the defendant and Woodus Kellum, Esq., represented the prosecution.

POLICE ARE BUSY

Forty-two Arrests on Blotter — Vagrancy Campaign

From 1:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon until 4 P. M. yesterday 42 arrests were registered on the police blotter at the City Hall, a record probably for that length of time that has not been equalled in some months. From now until after Christmas, however, the police expect to be pretty busy and then too the campaign that is being gotten under way against the vagrants, both white and colored, of the city, will help fill the blank spaces with names. Out of the above number 10 were charged with vagrancy. The war on the unemployed is being planned with a view of breaking up some of the burglaries and other robberies that are being committed with such frequency and the officials intend to corral a vast number of those who have no visible means of support. Not only are those in charge of the campaign looking toward the negro population, but it is rumored that they will also inquire into the subsistence of numbers of young white men who apparently have no duties to perform.

FORMAL CONTRACT TOMORROW

Aviator Brookns' Manager Comes to Arrange Details

Mr. Frank Herbst, promoter of the aviation meet scheduled to be held at Highwood Park January 1st, yesterday received a telegram from Mr. R. Fanciulli, who is manager for Mr. Walter Brookins, the aviator, who is to make the flights, stating that he would arrive in the city tomorrow to sign the formal contract for the engagement in this city. The contract for the flights in a Wright machine was made by wire Saturday, but a formal agreement is to be prepared and signed by the parties interested. As soon as the document is signed Mr. Herbst will complete all his arrangements for the meet. He said yesterday that he had already received some entries for the automobile and motorcycle races it is proposed to have between the flights of the aviator.

CONFIDENT THEY ARE THE MEN

Mr. Hermann Meredith Identifies Train Robbers at Savannah

Mr. Hermann S. Meredith, who was the mail clerk on the Atlantic Coast Line train that was recently held up at Columbia, S. C., and robbed of packages, variously estimated in value at from $10,000 to $30,000, was recently summoned by the postal authorities to go to Savannah, Ga., to see if he could identify the two men held there as the ones who entered him mail car. A letter yesterday to his father in this city and telegrams to friends state that Mr. Meredith is confident that the men held at Savannah for the Hardeville robbery are the same who robbed his car at Columbia about ten days previously. Mr. Meredith is expected to return to the city within a day or two.

Under New Management.

Mr. T. Coronides has purchased the Crystal Palace Confectionary, No. 115 Market street, and hereafter the establishment will be conducted by him. The establishment has enjoyed splendid patronage under the old management and the new owner begs a continuation of the patronage. He will make an especially strong bid for Christmas trade in the way of fruits, candies, etc.

ARRESTED FOR LARCENY

Negro Driver from Wilmington Arrested in Brunswick County

Returning to the city yesterday about noon from Town Creek, Brunswick county, where he had been to drive a traveling man to the plant of the Town Creek Lumber Co., Walter Shaw, colored, a driver for the Orrell Livery Co., this city, was arrested at Evans' store by Sheriff J. J. Knox, charged with having entered the home of Mr. Tom Davis at Winnabow and having stolen a purse containing $5. Shaw drove to the plant and while waiting, it is alleged that while Mrs. Davis was in the rear of the house, he entered the front and stole the money from a trunk in one of the front rooms. Mrs. Davis heard the noise while about her household duties in the kitchen and upon investigation found that the trunk had been rifled. She made an outcry and a telephone message was sent to Evans' store where Sheriff Knox was collecting taxes for the day. He promptly arrested the negro on his way to Wilmington and sent him back to Winnabow where he was placed in charge of Deputy Sheriff G. F Willetts and given preliminary trial before Magistrate Jackson Johnson. He could not give bond and was placed in custody of Deputy Willetts who will take him to jail at Southport today. The horse and buggy was turned over to Mr. D. R. Johnson at the request of Mr. Orrell who will send for the animal and vehicle today.

Magistrate Johnson also tried yesterday John Atkinson, a negro from Navassa, charged with severely cutting another negro Saturday. He gave $200 bond for his appearance at Brunswick Superior Court at the next term.

CAROLINA COUNCIL ELECTS

Officers for Ensuing Term Named by Arcanians Last Night

At the regular meeting last night of Carolina Council No. 1874, Royal Arcanium, officers for the ensuing term were elected as follows:

Regent—I. J. Lockfaw.
Vice Regent—E. R. Rhue.
Orator—Henry Bremer.
Secretary—H. E. Bonitz.
Collector—M. F. Allen.
Treasurer—R. G. Rankin, Jr.
Chaplain—W. J. Toomer.
Guard—Wm. Hamilton.
Warden—W. J. Meredith.
Sentry—R. D. Johnson.
Trustees—L. D. Latta, R. C. DeRosset and Swift M. Boatwright.

Mr. W. J. Toomer was elected representative to the Grand Council meeting to be held in Charlotte in April of next year and Mr. J. Edwin Bunting was named as alternate.

As a committee from Cornelius Harnett Council, Royal Arcanum, there were present Dr. S. Mendelssoan, Messrs. J. Weil and A. Silverman to invite members of Carolina Council to be present at the 33rd anniversary celebration of Cornelius Harnett Council to be held January 8th. The invitation was most cordially accepted. On the night of the celebration there will be a joint installation of officers, followed by a banquet.

SCHOOLS CLOSE THURSDAY.

North Carolina Day Will be Observed in City Schools.

The graded schools of the city will close Thursday at 2 o'clock for the holidays and will not reopen until Tuesday, January 2nd. The closing examinations of the term are being held this week and it is disclosing no secret to say that the boys and girls in the different schools of the city will be happy when the hour of 2 arrives Thursday. The day will be observed in the city schools as North Carolina Day and appropriate programmes will be carried out at the High School, Union and Hemenway schools.

Mr. John J. Blair, superintendent of the schools, said last night that the term has been a most successful one. The enrollment has been the largest in the history of the graded schools, the attendance has been large and splendid work has been done in all the schools in all the grades.

Mr. Blair will leave Friday night for High Point, where he will spend the holidays with relatives. He may also visit Winston-Salem, where two brothers, Messrs. W. A. and D. H. Blair, live, before returning to Wilmington. Many of the teachers in the several schools will be leaving the latter part of the week to spend Christmas at home or with relatives in other towns.

AT THE PORT.

Little Doing for the Past Few Days. Arrivals Yesterday.

For the past few days there have been very few movements along the water front.

The French steamer Belle Isle came into port from Hamburg bringing a cargo of kainit for the Seaboard Air Line Railroad.

Clyde steamer Carib arrived from New York.

The river steamer Lisbon clears this morning for Elizabethtown.

Funeral of Infant

The infant of Sergeant and Mrs. Downey, of Fort Caswell, died Sunday morning at the army post. Mr. M. H. Brimmer, of the M. H. Brimmer Company, was summoned and went to the fort and prepared the body for burial. The remains of the child were interred yesterday .

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PERSONAL. PARAGRAPHS.

—A. H. Pait, Esq., of Elizabethtown, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

---Mr. J. Sidbury, of Scott's Hill, was a business visitor to the city yesterday.

—Mr. Frank G. Dawson, of Tarboro, was the guest of Mr. R. O. Banks over Sunday.

—Mr. John Franklin Smith, son of Mayor and Mrs. Jos. D. Smith, who is a student at A. & M. College, is spending the holidays with his parents here.

—Capt. James D. McNeill, president of the State Firemen's Association and one of the Cape Fear's most genial citizens, spent yesterday in the city, a guest at The Orton.

—The many friends of Col. George L. Morton were delighted to see him in the city yesterday. He will spend a few days in the city, returning to Atlanta for the Christmas holidays on Thursday.

MRS. C. W. YATES DEAD.

Most Estimable Christian Woman Passed Away Last Night.

Many friends in this city and elsewhere throughout this section will learn with infinite sorrow of the death of Mrs. Alice Caroline Yates, the beloved wife of Mr. C. W. Yates, who passed away at her home, No. 110 North Fourth street, at 12 o'clock last night, following a brief illness. For the past few days her condition has been regarded as critical and loved ones were aware that there was but little hope of her recovery, but the realization of her passing came as a great shock to the family and friends. Hundreds and hundreds of friends will tenderly sympathize with the bereaved husband and children in their deep sorrow.

Mrs. Yates was a daughter of the late Mr. Wylie Walker, of Wilmington, and was married to Mr. Yates January 10th, 1872, in this city. She was in the 67th year of her age and surviving are her devoted husband and three children, Messrs. Joseph W. Yates and C. W. Yates, Jr., and Miss Lydia Yates, all of this city. Mrs. Yates was a devout Christian woman, a member of Grace Methodist Church, and though of a very quiet, unassuming disposition, she was a most active worker in the church for many years. Hers was indeed a beautiful life and in her passing there is a void in the home she loved so well that cannot be filled, and in the church and in community, her presence will be sadly missed.

The funeral arrangements had not been made last night.

Took Negro Back to Georgia

Deputy Sheriff Lewis, of Decatur county, Ga., arrived yesterday to take back with him John Autrey, the negro who was arrested by Hall Officer Joe Lane Saturday after an exciting chase, in the course of which the negro was shot through the leg. Autrey is wanted in Bainbridge, Ga., on a charge of larceny, and the deputy stated that the officials had evidence enough against him to send him up for five years. The officer left with his prisoner on the 3:15 o'clock train, the negro's wound not being of such a serious nature to prevent him from traveling.

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HOWARD RELIEF COMPANY.

Annual Meeting of the Organization Held Last Night.

With a large attendance of the members the annual meeting of the Howard Relief Company was held last night at the handsome club house, corner Front and Orange streets. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

President—J. G. L. Gieschen.
Vice President—J. W. H. Fuchs.
Secretary and Treasurer—A. F. Eilers.
Marshal—H. T. Duls.
First assistant marshal—J. D. Dosher, Jr.
Second assistant marshal—H. L. Vollers.
Guard—Martin Brunjes.

The following were appointed as a committee to arrange for the New Year's ball: Messrs. Fred Tiencken, J. H. Niggel, C. W. Polvogt, Carl Fick, and Luther Wessell. The date of the ball will be announced in a few days by the committee.

MR. H. B. BRANCH NAMED.

Elected Acting Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

At a meeting last night of the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. M. J. Corbett, the president, presiding and nearly all members in attendance, Mr. Howard B. Branch, who has been the very capable assistant secretary for several months, was elected acting secretary, his duties to begin January 1st, when the resignation of Secretary O. F. Cooper becomes effective. It is most likely that Mr. Branch will later be elected as the permanent secretary as he is highly endorsed for the position by some of the leading business men of the city, has had several months' experience in the work and is a thoroughly capable young man. He was formerly telegraph editor of the Morning Star for three years before going with the Chamber of Commerce.

WORK AMONG NEGROES

Special Service at St. Thomas' Catholic Church Sunday Night

Carrying out the policy of the church in doing effective work among the negro race in the South, there was held on Sunday night in St. Thomas' Catholic church, this city, a special service at which the old house of worship of the church in Wilmington was formally turned over to them by Bishop Haid, of North Carolina. Three converts were received into the church and there is now a class of six members. Father Hayden has charge of the colored work, which promises much for the race in this city.

Being Held at Goldsboro.

Constable W. B. Savage left last evening at 7 o'clock for Goldsboro to bring back to this city this morning Fred Hennegan, colored, alias John Lewis, who is wanted here on a charge of store-breaking. Hennegan is alleged to have entered a pressing club at Second and Wright streets and to have stolen seevral suits of clothes. The man was arrested in Goldsboro with the suits in his possession, it is alleged, but he was wanted there on a charge of larceny and has just finished serving a sentence of one year on the county roads. Justice Harriss sent a warrant for his arrest some months ago and the authorities were instructed to hold him upon expiration of his time. Sheriff Cowan yesterday received notice that the man hod completed his sentence and Constable Savage left to serve the paper on him and bring him back.

Justice Harriss received a telephone message from Goldsboro stating that Constable Savage had arrived and that he had arrested Blain Sloan, colored, of this city, who ran away a few days ago. Sloan is wanted here on a charge of selling cocaine and Mr. Savange will bring both the prisoners back with him this morning.

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RUSSIAN TREATY WILL COME TO END

(Continued from Page One.)

mittee and then in a message to the Senate that he had taken upon himself the responsibility of notifying Russia of the abrogation of the treaty did not come as a surprise. It was learned last night that he had taken steps to terminate the pact.

The facts became public soon after the foreign relations committee met at 11 A. M. The committee was in session for nearly three hours, but the only points discussed were whether the House should be considered in the matter and whether the Senate should act in open session rather than behind closed doors as customary when dealing with foreign affairs.

It was decided to recognize the House by making the resolution ratifying the President's action a joint one, and it further was decided to debate the matter in the open.

Senator Lodge prepared the resolution of ratification which the committee approved and it followed the text of the President's note to Russia in the diplomacy of its expressions. There was no suggestion of a violation of treaty pledges in the resolution as in the House document. Senator Hitchcock reserved the right to oppose the Lodge resolution in the Senate and introduced a substitute which followed the form of the Sulzer resolution with the flat declaration of a violation of treaty pledges by Russia left out.

Senator Culberson said tonight that he could not venture a prediction as to how far the Democrats of the Senate would go in their opposition to the Lodge resolution or any other resolution approving the action of the President in taking the matter out of the hands of Congress following the adoption of the Sulzer resolution in the House.

"There is a feeling among the Democrats," he said, "that the President is trying to steal their thunder. I think the country ought to be made acquainted with the facts."

In view of the probable contest over the adoption of the Lodge resolution and the desire of many Senators to be heard, it was decided that the Senate session should begin at noon tomorrow instead of the usual hour, 2 o'clock.

The Senate, upon convening, lost no time in taking up the question. Immediately after the reading of a journal an executive clerk from the White House appeared with the President's message and it was at once read to the Senate receiving unusually close attention.

With the message disposed of, Senator Lodge presented the report of the committee on foreign relations with the resolution provided as a substitute for the House declaration.

For a few minutes there seemed a prospect for immediate consideration, but Senator Heyburn, of Idaho, made dat objection to going on with the resolution today. Under the Senate rules one objection was sufficient to carry the subject over until tomorrow. Mr. Heyburn's objection was on the ground of the haste with which he said the Senate was attempting to dispose of this most important matter.

Mr. Lodge yielded to the inevitable when the Idaho Senator voiced his opposition, but he defended the President's court and cited precedents to warrant it.

Senator Culberson then made his speech criticising the President. He declared he thought it strange that the President had waited until the House acted before abrogating the treaty.

"He had had the same power during the three years of his office," declared the Texas Senator.

Republican leaders of the Senate tonight declared they would reply to the Democratic criticism tomorrow and would defend the President on the ground that the House did not choose to wait for a termination of the President's negotiations with Russia or for his further message on the subject. The action taken by the House, they said, left the President in a position where he had to step in "to avoid a serious diplomatic incident."

Representative Sulzer tonight said: "I have no doubt the two Houses of Congress will be able to agree tomorrow and the controversy will then be ended; the Russian treaty terminated and the doctrine of equal rights to all American citizens at home and abroad —regardless of race or religion—forever vindicated.

"I rejoice with every friend of justice in the victory for humanity achieved through the agency of the House of Representatives—Patriotic America will understand why the President acted so suddenly in notifying Russia that the United States terminate the treaty of 1832, and many will wonder, if he had the power to act, why he waited so long."

To the form taken by the "denunciation," which is the technical term employed in diplomacy for the notice of termination of treaty and carries with it no reflection on either party, it is believed that the Russian government can find no ground for defense.

While it is said to be true that nations have worked in comparative harmony considerable periods of time without treaties of trade and navigation, the State Department holds that it is extremely desirable that business of the volume between America and Russia shall not be done by suffrance but rest upon well established legal rights. Otherwise American consuls in Russia would have no legal powers and American shipping might be excluded from Russian ports at the whim of local officials without affording ground for protest. Without a treaty any American, whether Jew or Gentile, might be excluded. The statement, it is believed, soon will attempt open negotiations for a new treaty.

Russia is Notified.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 18.—The American Ambassador Curtis Guild, Jr., acting under instructions from the President of the United States, today notified the Russian foreign minister, M. Sazonoff, that the treaty of 1832 between the United States and Russia would be abrogated, in accordance with provision made by Article XII, on January 1, 1913.

It is pointed out in official circles that Russia has no cause to be dissatisfied with this turn of affairs, President Taft's action, in view of the previously contemplated procedure, being likely to increase his popularity here. The notification, it is added, was given with full right and tactfully made no mention of motives underlying the abrogation of the treaties which leaves full latitude for conducting ne negotiations, with the controversial factor eliminated.

This feature of the situation has attracted attention and seems to be fully appreciated. The Russian government finds not the slightest grounds to object to the abrogation in such shape as it actually assumed in Ambassador Guild's note, which is dated December 17th.

In a note December 18th, the Russian foreign minister acknowledges receipt of the notification and says that Russia takes notice thereof.

RECEIVER FOR THE SUN.

Durham's Afternoon Paper Temporarily Embarrassed—Mr. Currin Dead.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Durham, N. C., Dec. 18.—The Durham Sun, Durham's afternoon daily paper, announces in its issue this afternoon that on account of "temporary financial embarrassment," it has been placed in the hands of a receiver. It says "the paper will continue to be published daily and its contracts with its subscribers and advertisers will be fulfilled. In its present hour of trouble, we ask of our friends the same confidence which they have given us in the past, and assure them that our temporary embarrassment in no manner diminishes our enthusiasm and confidence in the future of the paper, of the city and its citizens, for whom it has ever striven to uphold." The receiver appointed by the court is ex-Mayor W. J. Griswold, a prominent real estate and insurance man of the city.

A telegram was received this morning by Mr. E. G. Currin, of this city, announcing the death in Oxford, early today, of his father, Mr. J. Mat Currin, of that city. Mr. Currin was 65 years old and was one of the most prominent men in Oxford. He had been in the employ of the American Tobacco Company since the beginning of that great business concern and knew the business thoroughly.

SCHOONER STRUCK SHOAL.

Is Full of Water and Will Probably be a Total Loss.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. — Driven ashore in a northwest blow Sunday night, the schooner Katherine D. Perry, light, from Portland, Me., to Sewellis Point, to load coal, struck on a treacherous shoal near Smith's island, and will probably prove a total loss.

Life-savers from the Smith's island life saving station took off the crew of the stranded schooner, and the rescue was effected, it is said, with some thrills and considerable danger to both the lives of the savers and the men on the helpless vessel.

The Merritt & Chapman Wrecking Company's tug Rescue went to the aid of the stranded schooner early this morning, but returned in the afternoon. It was said that there was slight chance of saving the schooner and she would likely prove a total loss.

The schooner is almost full of water, and she is taking in more. Her crew are being cared for at Smith's Island Life Saving Station, and will probably be brought to Norfolk tomorrow.

THE I. C. STRIKE.

May be a General Walk-Out, According to St. Louis Report.

St. Louis, Mr., Dec. 18.—Leaders of the four unions of railroad workers are scheduled to meet here tonight to discuss the advisability of calling a strike of the shopmen and other workers of the Illinois Central and Harriman roads.

J. W. Kline, president of the International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths and Helpers, arrived here this morning. He is to meet the union officials of the Western roads.

Shopmen and allied workers on every railroad in the jurisdiction of the general managers' association of Western and Southern railroads, will be called out if the present plans of Kline are realized.

He is quoted as saying the men are going to win the strike on the Illinois Central and Harriman roads if he and his co-leaders have to call out all members of their unions.

Kline charges that other roads have been lending engines and cars to the lines now affected by a strike.

FOUR ARE KILLED.

Electric Cars Collide—Heroism of Employe Prevented Other Deaths.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 18.—That the casualties in the collision between two cars on the Kansas City-Leavenworth Electric Line at Wolcott, Kan., today, were only four killed and eight injured, was due to the heroism of Roscoe Agers, an employe.

Agers was in the smoking compartment of the Southbound car when the two met, each going at about 35 miles an hour. The northbound car plough ed its way almost through the other. As Agers crawled from the wreckage, he noticed coals from the battered stove rolling down on the splinters already smoking. He kicked the coals out and with his bare hands threw the hot pieces of the broken stove away into the fogs. His hands were burned to the bone, but he saved the wreckage from catching fire and burning those persons who had not yet been released from the splintered cars.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 18.—Keeping a loaded pistol in a bureau drawer with her false hair proved to be a fatal mistake last night for Mrs. Celim Maslan, of this city. The weapon became entagled with her switch and while trying to disengage the revolver it was discharged. She was shot in the head and almost instantly killed.

Lightning Kills Few.

In 1906 lightning killed only 169 people in this whole country. One's chances of death by lightning are less than two in a million. The chance of death from liver, kidney or stomach troubles is vastly greater, but not if Electric Bitters be used, as Robert Madsen, of West Burlington, Ia., proved. Four doctors gave him up after eight months of suffering from virulent liver trouble and yellow jaundice. He was then completely cured by Electric Bitters. They're the best stomach, liver, nerve and kidney remedy and blood purifier on earth. Only 50c at R. R. Bellamy.

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WAR WITH RUSSIA?

Honorables Speak of Treaty Abrogation and Mention Possibilities.

Philadelphia, Dec. 18.—That the action of the United States in abrogating the Russian treaty of 1832 today may precipitate a war with that country, was declared by both United States Senator Heyburn, of Idaho, and Governor Mann, of Virginia, in speeches at the annual dinner of the New Jersey Society of Pennsylvania here tonight.

Senator Heyburn said that where the cause was just he stood ready to follow the American passport into any foreign land with "our constitution, our flag and a cannon."

Governor Mann expressed his belief that the signs of the times point to a struggle with Russia in the near future and he stirred the audience by announcing that if such conditions ever came to pass he himself would be willing and ready to go out at the head of a regiment of Virginia soldiers. "Whether it be President Taft or some other President, perhaps a son of New Jersey," said the Governor, "his call will be responded to by Virginia and I can say every State in the South. If necessary, I will go to the front and will also send my son. I say this merely to show the patriotism of the South and to prove that sectionalism is a thing of the past."

THE EXPORT TRADE.

Secretary Knox Writes of Tare Charges to Georgia Congressman.

Washington,, Dec. 18.—Secretary of State Knox has addressed a letter to Representative Brantley, of Georgia, suggesting that American producers can best protect themselves against losses resulting from excessive "tare" charges abroad by exercising greater care in preparing their products for transportation in the export trade.

The letter was in answer to communications to the President from the House and Senate committees on agriculture, and Representative Brantley accompanied by a resolution adopted by the Georgia Assembly asking that some means be devised for eliminating the loss of about $12,000,000 sustained annually through "tare" charges.

The secretary said if precautions were taken in baling and packing cotton for export trade so as to prevent waste, foreign dealers would not have an excuse for excessive charges.

HOUSE ADJOURNED.

No Legislation Accomplished Yesterday—Bad Temper Displayed.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The House adjourned today without accomplishing any legislation after a brief display of bad temper on both sides of the chamber. It had been intended to take up various bills by unanimous consent. Mr. Madden, of Illinois, objected to a Democratic bill fixing the terms of court in West Virginia, and Mr. Buchanan, of Illinois, retaliated by objecting to a Republican measure of the same character for Maine.

Mr. Bartholdt, of Missouri, Republican, was blocked in an effort to get consent to address the House for 20 minutes on an objection by Mr. Henry of Texas, Democrat. Finally on motion of Mr. Fitzgerald, of New York, with, all Republicans voting against it, the House adjourned until tomorrow.

Elgin, Ill., Dec. 18.—Control of the Board of Trade this afternoon passed into the hands of Chicago and Wisconsin creamery men, elected on a producers' ticket. Charles Potter was elected president. Under the new regime the quotation committee will be abolished according to J. P. Younger, of the producers' faction. "The price committee is a farce," said Mr. Younger. "It is nothing more than a scheme that is in direct violation of the Sherman anti-trust laws, and always has been."

A pinch of borax stirred into a quart of milk will keep it sweet if you object to the taste after boiling.

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People's Savings Bank—$2,210.23.
Wilmington Shoe Co.—Christmas Suggestions.
Crystal Palace Confectionery—Candies and Fruit.
Wilmington Savings and Trust Co.—A Merry Xmas.

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For Sale—Collard Plants.
Farris' Bakery—We Have.
Wanted—Lady Stenographer.
Will Rehder—Blooming Plants.
Ministering Circle—Announcement.
Northrop L. and Exp. Co.—Wanted.
Palace Market Co.—Xmas Good Things.
Carolina Produce Co.—Just Received.

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LOST—On Market street, between Front and Water, gold signet gentlemen's ring; initials "J. R. R." Reward, if returned to 613 Church street. de19-1t

FLORIDA ORANGES—Florida oranges. We have to arrive tomorrow three hundred boxes of extra sweet oranges. As no fruit vessel will be here this season let us have your orders early. All orders for oranges will be cash on delivery for them. Winstead Produce Co., 229 North Water street. Telephone 205. de19-6t

WE HAVE THE LARGEST line of fireworks in the city, wholesale and retail. Mail us your orders. Farris' Bakery, 121 South Front street. de19-6t

JUST RECEIVED—Fine lot turkeys; more to come on Wednesday afternoon. Will have large consignment choice dressed ones; also chickens and eggs, for your Christmas dinner. Carolina Produce Co., No. 5 Market street; 'phone 834. de19-1t*

THE MINISTERING CIRCLE Tea Cup Inn takes pleasure in announcing that they serve hot chocolate, sandwiches, tea and cake from 3:30 to 6 every afternoon this week. de19-1t

WANTED TO BUY several rafts of timber, long leaf pine or rosemary. Address Northrop Lumber and Export Co., Wilmington, N. C. de19-4t

XMAS GOOD THINGS—Call on us for your Xmas meats, fruits, vegetables, turkeys, chickens, geese, all-pork sausage and liver pudding. Oysters fresh every day; fresh supply of fancy celery and lettuce; extra fine oranges and apples. Palace Market Co., 'Phone 72. de19-tf

WANTED—Jan. 1st. An energetic lady stenographer. Address "W," care Star. de19-24-2t

BEAUTIFUL AND HANDSOME variety of blooming plants for Xmas gifts; also pretty ferns of all descriptions; the most beautiful line in the city, at Will Rehder's. de19-3t

SEVERAL THOUSAND strong and healthy collard plants for sale. 'Phone 969-5. de19-2t

WANTED—Two young men to room and board in nice, large room, in good locality. Convenient to A. C. L. offices and business section. Address Box 581, City. de17-2t*

FOR SALE OR RENT—7-acre farm near city, with 5-room house. Large barn; also one mule, 2 horses, 2 carts, 1 wagon and farming implements. Address "Farm," care Star. de12-6t*

TAX NOTICE—I will make a call at Wm. Goodman's store December 19th from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. for the purpose of collecting State and County taxes for the County of Brunswick. John J. Knox, Sheriff of Brunswick county. de17-2t

COMPETENT lady stenographer desires position by first of January. Address Miss "C," care Star office. de17-3t

FOR SALE—A modern cottage on south Fourth street; has seven rooms, located on improved street and convenient to the public schools. Also a modern home of seven rooms on the car line; $1,000 cash is all that is necessary for you to own either of these bargains. J. G. Wright & Son, Agents. de17-2t

FOR SALE—Four black Minoren cockerels, nine months old; two Plymouth Rock cocks, 18 months old; two white Orpington cockerels (Cook's strain), 11 months old. All thoroughbred stock. Price, $2.00 each. Winter Park Poultry Yards, Wilmington, N. C. de17-6t*

FOR RENT—On Market street, three rooms for light housekeeping, with privilege of bath. Address "L," care Star. de17-2t*

WANTED—January 1st, competent lady to take charge of Dry Goods department of uptown store. One who understands typewriter and shorthand preferred; reference. "Dry Goods," care Star. de16-12t

QUAIL! QUAIL! QUAIL!—Quail, Turkeys, turkeys, turkeys, turkeys; chickens, chickens, chickens, chickens; fish roe, fish roe, fish roe, fish roe; liver pudding and fresh pork sausage; fresh pork, beef and lamb. Fancy celery, lettuce and spinach. Orders for Xmas turkeys solicited now. Palace Market Co., 'Phone 72. de16-tf

AGENTS WANTED—Ladies, gentlemen, boys and girls invited to sell our patented "Matchless Lighter" to their friends and relatives. Nice Christmas gifts. This great new invention makes the match absolutely superfluous. Everybody will buy these lighters. Big profits to agents. A hustler can easily make a net profit of $30 to $40 a week. Our representative will demonstrate these lighters daily from 12 to 2 and 8 to 9 P. M., Garrell Bldg., Fourth floor, room 31. Go and see him or write to Grossman Bros. Co., Wilmington, N. C. de16-3t*

NOTICE—If you want to make your wife or husband smile Xmas morning, stop by D. L. T. Capps Plumbing Co.'s, No. 130 Market street, and buy a present that will please any wife or husband. D. L. T. Capps Plumbing Co., J. B. Griffith, Mgr. de15-tf

WAKE UP! Spread out! Advertise! Multigraph imitation typewritten circulars; cheap as printing; better results. All classes typewriting and notary work. Harriss Typewriting and Advertising Co., 114 Princess street; 'phone 708. de1-tu,su,th-tf

FOR SALE—Shetland Pony and governess cart; the best and prettiest rig in town. For further information, 'phone 1681. de 15-6t.

BUSINESS CHANCE — An exceptional chance is offered active party or parties with some energy and $1,000 to invest, to get a strictly respectable, permanent cash business that's easily managed, free from competition and get rich quick schemes, where with ordinary labor from $3,000 to $5,000 should be cleared yearly. Owner of this business invites the closest investigation in every way. Full particulars will be given at personal interview only, which can be had by addressing "Profitable," care of Star. de13-6t*

A LADY'S PRIDE and delight—a nice umbrella. I have them from $5.00 to $25.00. J. T. Burke, The Jeweler. no29-tf

PRICES AND QUALITY guaranteed. If you want something good, call to see me. J. T. Burke, 27 South Front street. no29-tf

SECOND HAND square piano for sale. In good order. Cheap to cash purchaser. Address "Piano," care Star Office. se15-tf

I HAVE a few thousand nice strawberry plants for sale on Westbrook and Wright farm, near 17th and Market. G. W. Westbrook, Telephone 899-3. de17-5t*

1000 ACRES timbered land for sale, also general store and turpentine business. Made 425 casks spirits of turpentine season 1911. Other business to attend to reason for selling. Terms, cash. For particulars, write "A," R. F. D., Tomahawk, N. C. de13-8t*

FOR SALE—We have several nice lots on the shell road near Winter Park across the road from the race track, 70x210. These lots are well drained. Price and terms, right. See us or 'phone us, 771. Hanover Realty Company, Sole Agents, 207 North Front street. de9-tf

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BARGAINS in trunks, hand bags and suit cases. Uncle Charles, 15 South Front street. de7-tf

HUSBANDS, Sweethearts and Wives—Save money on your Xmas gifts. Diamonds, Watches and High Grade Jewelry, at Uncle Charles', 16 South Front street. de7-tf

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Masonic Temple, December 19, 1911.
WILMINGTON LODGE, NO. 319, A., F. & A. M.
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THOS. F. BAGLEY, Sec'y.
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SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

Immediate Reform of Country's Banking and Currency System is Urged—Scientific Tariff Legislation.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Appeals for the immediate reform of the country's banking and currency system and scientific tariff legislation, based upon entirely new reasons—the practical experiences of the customs service—stand out prominently in the annual report of Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh, submitted to Congress today. This statement of the Nation's finances bristles with urgent suggestions for corrective financial laws, enacted in the light of the "lamp of experience."

The Secretary of the Treasury foresees, according to the estimate of experts, a surplus in the treasury at the end of the fiscal year 1913 of about $29,000,000, exclusive of expenditures on the Panama Canal. Including the estimated canal disbursements, however, the treasury will face a deficit of approximately $18,000,000. The total estimates of expenditures for next year, exclusive of the Panama Canal and the postal service, payable from postal revenue, are $637,920,803. The estimates of receipts available for the general fund are $667,000,000. The estimates for the construction of the Panama Canal during the next year are $47,263,760, making a grand total of estimated expenditures of $685,184,563.

With all the preliminaries for revising the financial system accomplished, Mr. MacVeagh declares there is no reason to postpone action.

The tentative plan of the National Monetary Commission, outlined by its chairman, former Senator Aldrich, he says, satisfies in its essentials the larger part of the expert opinion of the Nation and is supported by the business men. The Secretary pledges the administration to do its part in keeping this financial issue wholly non-partisan- believing that the result should be the product of both parties.

In the contemplated re-organization of the financial structure, Mr. MacVeagh emphasizes the absolute need of prohibiting all banks, National and State, from holding stock in other banks, as a safeguard against any possible formation of a much feared "money trust" in the future. He urges equality of National and State banks in doing trust company and saving bank business.

"We must provide, and without reservation," he declares, "for a perfect equality of privileges and opportunity between National and State banks. State banks must have every advantage National banks have; and National banks must have every advantage State banks have. And this equality cannot be attained unless National and State banks are on the same footing as to trust company banking and as to saings bank functions.

"And it is indispensable that the new law shall deny with great precision to any bank included within its provisions, whether National or State, the right to own stock in any other independent bank. The law should not fail to conclusively forbid such ownership. There is no immediate danger to be apprehended from such holdings; but now is the time to protect for the future independence and individuality of the banks; and to forestall in their case the general tendency to the formation of undue combinations and trusts. The prohibition should be so explicit that its spirit as well as its letter could be enforced. We must prevent perpetually the concentration of the banking power in the hands of the few—a concentration which under our present system is inevitable by the mere operation of financial evolution."

The new banking system, the Secretary of the Treasury avers, must provide with distinctness and completeness ample banking facilities for the foreign commerce of the United States, which, with proper government encouragement he believes will be world-wide and world-varied.

"It is idle to expect," he adds, "that we shall ever have a developed foreign commerce without a developed foreign banking system. Our present system grew up in a period of isolation."

To a Congress which is expected to remodel some of the tariff schedules, Mr. MacVeagh urges from the standpoint of experience the establishment of specific duties, instead of ad valorem, wherever the nature of the article involved makes that possible. He says:

"The practice of adopting ad valorem duties adds to the ease and quickness with which legislation may be prepared; but that is its only helpful quality—and that lonely quality has its palpable drawbacks. Ad valorem duties lead directly to the great majority of all the frauds upon the revenues with which the Treasury Department has to contend; and they do all they can to drive honest importers out of business. They add exceedingly to the expense and responsibility of administration and are responsible in largest measure for whatever demoralization exists in the importing and customs business. Theoretically ad valorem duties may have an appeal, but in practice they are a delusion and a snare."

The principle of "scientific revision" of the tariff, Mr. MacVeagh continues, should be applied not only to the question of duties, but also to classification of articles and the language of the law so that there may be no doubt as to the intent of Congress. When the scientific method and spirit of legislating on this subject is reduced to practice, covering all features of the tariff law, affecting its ready interpretation, the Secretary declares, an expensive element of its administration and a large amount of litigation will be automatically eliminated. Also, he adds, many vexations of honest importers and a vast mass of undervaluations and frauds by dishonest importers will disappear, he adds.

"There can be no question," he concludes on this subject, "that the need of rendering the administration of the customs business of the country simple, prompt and certain, with a rational saving of useless expenditure is an additional reason of great weight for the enlightened method of tariff legislation to which the best sentiment of the country has been looking forward for more than a quarter of a century."

Mr. MacVeagh recommends the appointment of a commission, consisting of representatives of Congress and the executive departments, to evolve a budget system for the government. This is necessitated, he says, by the widely scattered and disintegrated responsibilities governing estimates, appropriations and revenue.

The abolition of all the assay offices, except the one at New York, is urged by the Secretary. They cost the government $185,000 yearly, and "the whole amount is thrown away," he adds.

Declaring that the work of rehabilitating the customs service has been vigorously prosecuted, the Secretary says that developments as to undervaluations and frauds "continue to be most impressive and to make it evident that the end of the reform is not yet in sight." He hopes to complete the reformation within a year.

The customs districts are being reorganized and the Secretary announces that he will ask Congress later to abolish a considerable number of useless and expensive customs offices.

Other recommendations of Mr. MacVeagh include: A contributory system of civil service retirement; transfer to the classified civil service of a number of customs officials from collector down; the imposition of the nominal fee of $1.00 for protests to the Board of General Appraisers in customs assessments; extending the $100 exemption from duty granted returning residents to include articles for household use, souvenirs, curios or gifts; provision for at least two vessels a year for the revenue cutter service; authority for the use of certified checks in the payment of all dues to the government; revision of the sinking fund law so as to make it something more than practically a dead letter; laws adequately prohibiting the importation of opium; and a revision of the oleomargerine statute.

GLENN FOR AYCOCK.

Ex-Governor Talks in Greensboro of Senatorial Candidates.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 18.—Speaking of the coming senatorial campaign and primary, ex-Governor R. B. Glenn yesterday declared it is his purpose to become actively interested and to lend all his energies to the cause of ex-Governor Charles B. Aycock. Governor Glenn was en route to his home from the North, but he declared that he had kept well in touch with the situation in this State and that he believed surprises were in store for many. Referring again to the statement that he would support Aycock, Governor Glenn said it was because of a life-long friendship and absolute belief in the great ability and power of the man who preceeded him as governor.

Speaking of the National prospects for Democracy, he said: "The Democratic prospects for 1912 are fine and as I see it, it is going to be the best year for the Democrats since Cleveland's last term." He believes the Republicans will make a great final effort to nominate Roosevelt and that he will be made to believe that such is necessary to secure Republican success. Gov. Glenn declared that he was glad of the stand the North Carolina representatives took on the pension bill. Gov. Glenn will return North January 7th for a six weeks' tour in the Northwest.

CLASS FOOTBALL.

Championship of A. & M. Undecided on Account of Holiday Rush

(Special Star Correspondence.)

West Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 18.—The class football championship for 1911 will have to remain undecided as the Juniors after defeating the Sophomores last Saturday 6 to 0, tied the Freshmen 0 to 0 in the first part of the week, and owing to final examinations a deciding game could not be played.

The number of students at A. & M. is fast diminishing for the holidays, which, by the catalogue start next Wednesday, the 20th, and last until January 3rd. But those who have made an average during the Fall term of 90 per cent. or more on a subject are exempt from the final examination on that subject, and as some have made this high average on all of their work, the exodus has been going on for the past week, ever since the commencement of the finals.

SHOT INTO ENGINE.

Miscreant Fires Into A. C. L. Freight Train, Near Fayetteville.

(Fayetteville Observer, 18th.)

About 11 o'clock last night, as a through A. C. L. freight train was passing Talbot's siding, on the east side of Cape Fear river, just beyond the upper bridge, some miscreant fired a gun or pistol into the engine, the shot narrowly missing Conductor Proctor, who was in the cab with the engineer and fireman.

Capt. Proctor was standing in front of the fireman's window, and the fireman was standing nearby. The shot struck the window sash and glanced off into the cab, almost grazing Capt. Proctor's face.

It is hoped that the wretch who was guilty of the deed can be apprehended. But there is little chance of such being done.

A MOTOR TRUCK YEAR

Business Men Looking With More Favor on the Horseless Vehicle

"Everybody is talking motor trucks now," remarked the editor of a big national weekly periodical the other day. "One of our men has just returned from a Western trip, and says the heads of all the big automobile factories are making the motor truck and delivery wagon the chief topic of discussion."

Business men in all lines are thinking and talking more seriously about the same subject than ever before. Every indication, in fact, points to a great awakening to the advantages of the power wagon and its inevitable supercession of the horse.

"I am certain that in a few years there will be anywhere from 100 to 400 per cent. more trucks in use than there are today," said the head of one of the largest department stores in Chicago, which is operating eighteen big gasoline and electric trucks. His prediction was far too conservative.

Registrations of all wheeled vehicles in his own city show officially that during the six months from May 1st to November 1st this year the number of machines of one-ton capacity or less increased from 436 to 756, and those of more than one-ton capacity increased from 363 to 550. These records show an increase of more than 63 per cent. in half a year.

If the rate remains constant until next May, the number of commercial motor vehicles in the Windy City will have considerably more than doubled in a year, fulfilling the predictions made by the management of the motor truck show held there last February. But, instead of remaining constant, the rate of increase in the use of these vehicles is certain to develop at an increasing ratio, so that the next twelve months will almost surely see the total number throughout the country nearly tripled.

All straws point to the conclusion that 1912 will go down in history as marking the real turning of the tide of the business world in favor of the self-propelled vehicle for industrial, commercial, municipal and Federal uses.

Reservations of space by motor vehicle manufacturers for the exhibition of their newest models at the Grand Central Palace show, to be held in New York from January 10th to 17th, under the auspices of the National Association of Automobile Manufacturers, show pretty clearly where the automobile makers stand with regard to this developing branch of the industry. Of the sixty-two companies that have already contracted for space, thirty-one will display commercial vehicles, either exclusively or together with their pleasure cars.

Some idea of the magnitude of the motor wagon industry is conveyed by the fact that fully ninety different makers will have exhibitions at one or more of the three big national shows to be held in New York and Chicago during January and February. Besides these, there are fully as many more companies in the field that are building on a small scale, or for some reason decided not to make exhibits.

"According to the most authentic information at hand, there are in the neighborhood of 6,000 firms in the United States using motor trucks at the present time," said the general manager of the largest rubber tire company in America, which controls half a dozen of the principal tire factories, in an address made in New York on November 15th. "There are about 20,000 trucks in operation, and the rapidity with which business men are adopting power vehicles in their delivery systems indicates that another year will find 50,000 trucks running."

JAMESTOWN EXPOSITIO.. SITE

Judge Refuses to Confirm Sale---$170,000 Highest Offer

Norfolk, Va., Dec.. 18.—Judge Waddill, in the United States court, today declined to confirm the sale of the Jamestown Exposition site made by special commissioners of court October 31st, last, when the highest bid offered was $170,000 by a syndicate ccmposed approximately of $150,000 out of $220,000 mechanics lienholders but who have since admitted $100,000 out of $170,000 bondhoiders.

The court said that with uncertainty as to the claim of the older of the original purchase mortgage being paid in full and with approximately $170,000 of mechanics lienholders and bondholders left out would not confirm sale of the property at $170,000 and that a decree would be entered directing a re-sale unless parties in interest get together and with qual opportunity to all lin and hondholders to snare in the profits of a purchase, make the court such an offer as will care for the original purchase price mortgage and prove equitable in the case.

DISMISSED RATE CASES

Southern and Atlantic Coast Line Must Pay Court Costs

Richmond, Va., Dec. 18.—In the United States Circuit Court today Judge Pritchard dismissed from the docket the passenger rate cases instituted in 1907 by the State of North Carolina against the Southern Railway and the Atlantic Coast Line. While the decree directs that the railroads must pay the costs, the court held that they are liable for coupons which were issued to passengers for the difference between the old and the new rate, pending final dcision. The litigation was paid long ago, but the cases stood upon the docket until cleared today.

Solid gold cuff links, scarf pins and tie clasp. Lockets and neck chains are some of my leaders. J. T. Burke, the Jeweler, No. 27 South Front street. de 3-tf.

Felt Slippers, all colors, $1.00 to $1.50. Hewlett & Price, 109 Market street. **

AFFAIRS AT STATE CAPITAL

Norfolk-Southern Operations---Two Charters Are Issued—Brought Back From South Carolina—State News of Interest

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 18.—Mr. E. C. Duncan is authority for the statement that the Norfolk-Southern Railroad Co., of which he is a director, especially in charge of the projected Raleigh-Concord-Charlotte extension of the system, that his company has under way arrangements not only for the immediate accomplishment of the connecting up of the Raleigh-Concord section, but also that there is every indication that the work will go right on until the Concord-Charlotte section is also completed. He would not be quoted as saying that it is definitely settled that the Norfolk-Southern will enter Charlotte at the same time that the Raleigh-Concord section is constructed and linked up, but there is the highest authority for the statement that this will be the case.

The Ray-Jones Heating and Ventilating Co., of Charlotte, was charter ed today with $25,000 capital by G. G. Ray, R. A. Jones, L. G. Ray, A. E. Jones and others. There is also a charter for the Birmingham Realty Co., Asheville, capital 0,000 by J. M. Stover and others for real estate business.

Graham Oakley, a young white man of this county, was brought back from Chesterfield, S. C., today to serve the remaining three and a half years of a five-year sentence on the Wake county roads for a brutal assault on an aged man. As a sequel to the affair the dwelling of John Underwood, near Fuquay Springs, was burned, the wife and child of Underwood being found in the ruins of the building. Oakley was suspected and charged with the crime but the State failed to convict for lack of evidence. Oakley escaped from the Wake roads and fled to Greenville, S. C., being wounded by a guard. Officers here say that the Greenville authorities knew of Oakley's presence there but demanded $100 instead of $40 offered for his arrest. Later he was convicted of bigamy in South Carolina and just completed six months sentence.

The Red Men of Raleigh attended in a body yesterday morning the Hillsboro Christian Church where the annual sermon for the order was delivered by the pastor, Rev. L. . Johnson. The Raleigh Red Men (Occoneechee Tribe No. 16), is in quite a flourishing condition.

The State Board of Charities has adopted resolutions relative to the death of Hon. H. C. Dockery, who was a most valued member of the board. Governor Kitchin has not yet appointed a member to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Col. Dockery at his home at Rockingham.

The non-commissioned officers of the Lumber Bridge and Fayetteville companies of the North Carolina National Guard, will have the benefit this week of special instructions by Captain A. J. Doughtery, of the United States army, now assigned to duty with the North Carolina National Guard. He will be in Lumber Bridge on Monday and Tuesday and in Fayetteville on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Judge Henry C. Connor, of the United States Court, convened a one-weeks' term here today continued from November, and there are 80 cases in addition to those brought over from the last term, awaiting trial The jail cases are to have precedence and every effort will be put for... to dispose of all the jail cases before the Christmas holidays.

Joseph E. Pogue, Jr., has gone to Heidelburg University, Germany, for a special course under the personal instruction of the famous professor, Victor Goldschmidt, of this world's most renowned educational institution.

JUNIUS PARKER COUNSEL

North Carolinian to Become Attorney for Tobacco Interests

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 18.—Junius Parker, who is to become chief counsel for the Duke end of the American Tobacco Company, was a visitor in Greensboro Sunday en route to New York. Mr. Parker is a North Carolina man and has been identified with the American Tobacco Company for a number of years and his host of friends in this State are proud of the fact that he is to be the chief counsel after January 1st. W. W. Fuller, who has been chief counsel for the American Tobacco Company since the organization of the great corporation, it is learned, will retire from active life and spend the remainder of his life on his magnificent farm on the Hudson river in New York. Mr. Burroughs, who has been of counsel for the tobacco company and who is a brother of the late Dr. J. A. Burroughs, of Asheville, at the time of his death president of the North Carolina Medical Society, will retire from the tobacco company and open a law office in New York. It is learned that Ben Duke will remain the head of the tobacco company.

AFTER ELUSIVE REYNARD.

Fox Hunting One of the Favorite Sports at Popular Pinehurst.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Pinehurst, N. C., Dec. 16.—Master of Fox Hounds James T. Twitty, of the Pinehurst Hunt, arrives early next week and the fox hunting seasons opens with his coming. For several weeks past Mr. and Mrs. Twitty have been at training quarters in Warrenton, N. C., enjoying preliminary hunts with excellent success, which demonstrates that the pack is an exceptional one. "Everything in the way of speed from an automobile to an aeroplane," as Master Twitty enthusiastically expresses it, "with music graded from church organ to poccolo, and speed that burns holes in the wind with never a let-up until horn sounds the recall. Yes-siree, it will be some fox hunting this season and to miss one will be to mourn." The programme includes tri-weekly hunts and on the preliminary runs four brushes were secured; two in one day, the shortest race one hour and 40 minutes and the longest three hours.

Wondrous Indian Summer days have made the week one of delight for outdoor lovers to which many informal affairs have contributed their part. Never has a larger company been gathered at this season and bookings for the immediate future prophesy holidays weeks of merry making. In the large list of arrivals are many returning friends, many who will stay until May

DISSOLVE ANOTHER TRUST

Suit Filed Against Plumbing Trust—Conspired to Restrain Trade

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 18.—The government filed in the Federal Court here today a suit to dissolve the so-called Plumbing Trust. The allegations are made in a bill of equity that the Pacific Coast Plumbing Supply Association "and others" have conspired since 1907 to restrain trade and inter-State commerce.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The civil suit against the so-called Pacific Coast Plumbing Trust is the direct result of conferences here between officials of the Department of Justice and representatives of most of the defendants.

An agreed decree likely will be the outcome. The grand jury investigation of the Trust at Los Angeles will be suspended and probably terminated, although the government has not committed into thaf course.

Lewes, Del., Dec. 18.—Schooner Katherine D. Perry, light, from Portland, Me., for Sewells Point, Va., struck on Knotless Shoal, Cape Charles, Va., last night. She is full of water and will probably be a total loss. The crew was rescued by life savers and taken to Norfolk by tugs.

HIS BODY FOUND ON THE TRACK

Mysterious Death of Deputy Sheriff Benton, of Cumberland County, Near Wade, N. C.—No Clue to Possible Murderers

Yesterday afternoon's Fayetteville Observer has the following of interest:

'Early Sunday morning, as a northbound freight train passed over the A. C. L. Railroad between Wade and Godwin, about 13 miles north of Fayetteville, a man was discovered lying beside the track. The train was stopped and it was found that the unfortunate man (who proved to be Deputy Sheriff John C. Benton) had received a severe blow on the head, and was unconscious.

"He was put on the train and carried to Godwin, where he was placed in care of Dr. McLean. Mr. Benton died about two o'clock in the afternoon, Dr. McLean stating that his death was due to compression of the brain.

"The deceased, who was a foreman in Oliver's brick yard, and had been acting as night watchman at Wade station, was recently appointed a deputy sheriff of Cumberland county by Sheriff N. H. McGeachy, was a man of good reputation, and was unmarried. He was detective on a case at the time of his death, and was about Wade Saturday night, leaving there Sunday morning at two o'clock, and was not seen again until found by the officials on the freight train. He was not intoxicated while at Wade, nor had he been drinking.

"Sheriff McGeachey, Deputy Sheriff Hall and County Coroner Dr. J. V. McGougan went to Godwin in automobiles about 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon carrying a bloodhound.

"Dr. McGougan investigated the matter thoroughly and concluded that it was unnecessary to hold a coroner's inquest, as there was no evidence to give any clue as to the cause of Benton's death. From the time of his departure from Wade and his being discovered unconscious beside the railroad by the freight train men, one other train had passed over the road. Whether he had sat down on the end of the cross ties, and while asleep, had been struck by this passing train, or whether he had been attacked and struck in the back of the head by some person or persons, there was no evidence to determine.

"The spot where the tragedy occurred was in the midst of a thickly set-

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Christmas Shopping

Made Easy By Trading at

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All goods are well displayed, marked in plain figures, and are One Price to All. All goods are Guaranteed or Money Refunded. Clothing is displayed in handsome cabinets, and all the latest appliances to make trading easy.

SOUVENIRS! SOUVENIRS! SOUVENIRS!

We have a Souvenir for all customers this week in appreciation of their patronage for the past year—Hat Brushes, Tight-Wad Purses, Wall Pocket Calendars, Etc. Christmas Presents of the Substantial Kind—not Toys, but Useful Articles.

Boys' Suits—sizes up to 18—Knickerbocker split-hip trousers in Cashmeres, Serges and Worsteds; all colors; prices from $3.50 to $12.50.

Holeproof Socks and Stockings, in Holiday Boxes — Sox, half doz., $1.50; Stockings, half doz., $2.00.

Men's and Young Men's Suits—single and double breasted; full-fashioned trousers, in Blacks, Blue Serges, Novelty Suitings and Worsteds — a strong line, from $10.00 to $25.00.

SPECIAL HOLIDAY PRESENTS

Silk Stockings, full-fashioned, packed two pair in Fancy Box! An elegant present. Per box, only $1.00.

Silk Necktie and Silk Sox to match, packed in Holiday Boxes; nice present for Men and Boys. Per box, only $1.00.

Neckties in Holiday Boxes; a handsome assortment; always useful; the Very Best Silk and Knit Ties; only, each, 50c.

Boys', Girls' and Ladies' Sweaters: all-wool and mixed; colors, Red, Blue, Tan, Grey, with Mufflers to match —very useful presents—prices, from $1.00 to $5.00.

Umbrellas—Men's and Ladies' All-Silk; sterling handle, detachable; each, $5.00.

Bath Robes—Of very handsome design; finest to be had anywhere; price, $7.50.

Pajamas—For Men and Boys; a nice thing for a present, and always useful; for $1.50 to $5.00.

Shoes—For the whole family—good-looking, all-leather, substantial Shoes; always a gift that is appreciated; prices, Right.

Hats, Caps, Ties, Purses, Canes, Socks of all kinds, Handkerchiefs of all kinds, packed in Holiday Boxes, in Silk, Linen or Lawn, with cards; Suspenders in Holiday Boxes; Fancy Vests; Shirts of all kinds.

Overcoats—A handsome line from $10.00 to $35.00.

Dry Goods Department—Staple Dry Goods for Less Money.

All Goods Delivered Promptly.

All Mail Orders filled same day received. Orders amounting to More Than $10.00, Express Prepaid.

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28—30 South Front Street

..Theatrical..

The Grand Theatre

"Two Orphans" on three great [illegible] was presented at The Grand [illegible] yesterday and last night and [illegible] patrons of the beautiful play-[illegible] were delighted with the offer-[illegible] Today the holiday throngs will have another great offering in mo-tion pictures, the topliner possibly being "An Episode Under Henry III." This King of France desires the re-moval of the Duke De Guise, who has been paying marked attention to Henry's sister, Marguerite of France, and so he hires a band of cut-throats to assassinate the Duke in a lonely spot on the road between Paris and Alencon. The King's sister, however, hears of the plot and sends her friend, the Duke De Bussy, to save her lover. Bussy succeeds in his mis-sion but later the King finds out who has befriended his sister in this mat-ter, which results ultimately in the death of the noble Duke. The duel-ling scene in this great picture is well worth the admission. Another big of-fering in motion pictures is "Logan's Babies," a new and bright comedy that is guaranteed to drive dull care away. The scenes are laid in a board-ing house and Kitty Mulligan is the jolly, cheerful heroine. In addition to these there will be another big offering in motion pictures, while The Grand orchestra will also be on the bill and Mr. Harry Morgan will sing one of his latest and newest song hits. All days now are banner days at The Grand and shoppers down town for the holidays should drop in for a few minutes and enjoy the pleasures of this delightful place.

At the Bijou.

It has become a well known expres-sion among amusement lovers of Wil-mington that everything fit to be seen, at the smallest price to the consumer, as it were, can be seen at the Bijou and seen there, too, as quick as it can be seen in any of the largest theatres of the larger cities. There is a reason of course. It is because the Bijou keeps alert and never spares expense. It gets the very latest direct from fac-tory and it presents them at the same price of admission—5 cents. So it is that today Wilmington amusement lov-ers will have the pleasure and rare opportunity to witness Kate Claxton's "The Two Orphans" at the same old tiny price of admission—5 cents. The Bijou has been preparing in great style to make this presentation and will do so in most elaborate manner, presenting the three reels of the cele-brated play under perfect conditions, and with all necessary effects. It can truly be said that today's bill at the Bijou, to be featured by "The Two Or-phans," will make a red letter day in the history of this popular amusement spot, which is always comfortable. The tale of "The Two Orphans" is too well known to need repeating, but it is well to note that the production from which the films are taken was made by a notable cast of players, and, no doubt, those in the large audi-ences at the Bijou will today recog-nize many of them. The music at the Bijou today will be a special feature. "The Two Orphans" will hold forth at matinee as well as at night, so all the children should be taken to see it.

DR. FAISON ON "PENSIONS."

Was Paired With Missouri Member. Against the Bill.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 18.—Mr. Faison, of the third North Carolina district, explained his action on the Sherwood pension bill today. The record has him down with five others who answered "present."

As a matter of fact, as the record shows, Dr. Faison was paired with Hamlin, of Missouri, against the bill. Dr. Faison left here before the pen-sion bill vote was due, to attend the funeral of an uncle. He got back be-fore the vote, but could not get any-body to pair with Mr. Hamlin, who had been kind enough to pair with him, and therefore, he was present but not voting. Had it not been for the death of his kinsman, he would not have paired, but remained here and voted. H. E. C. B.

New York City may make a bid for the Democratic National Convention. Some of the leading Democrats are becoming interested in the matter, and a fund is to be raised to provide neces-sary expenses. The attractions of New York are to be set forth, and stress is to be laid upon the abundance of good hotels and other accommoda-tions. It will be urged that New York is entitled to the convention, since the last Democratic National confab held there was in 1868. There is no question as to the adequacy of New York's ac-commodations, but there are good reasons why Baltimore should be pre-ferred. Baltimore can give just as good food and lodging as New York, and the railroad and telegraph facili-ties are ample. The temptations of Broadway are absent in Baltimore, and country delegates would be more likely to stick to their job there than in New York. Imagine the scandal if a couple of hundred Democratic Presi-dent-makers should run amuck among the lights and land in police court, along with chorus girls, taxi drivers, and cops! If Congress should remain in session during convention time, Baltimore would be a most convenient place for the convention, since many senators and representatives will be delegates. They could look after their duties at both places for the brief period the convention would be in session.—Washington Post.

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS

The large advertisement in today's paper of the Wilmington Shoe Co., of which L. W. Wessell is manager, of-fers some timely suggestions for Christmas presents.

Before making your purchase of a Christmas present or shoes for your personal use it will be to your advan-tage to give them a call.

They advertise that they will give a present with each purchase of $2 or more the balance of this week.

They will stay open until 9 o'clock at night this week.

A Terrible Blunder

to neglect liver trouble. Never do it. Take Dr. King's New Life Pills on the first sign of constipation, bilious-ness or inactive bowels and prevent virulent indigestion, jaundice or gall stones. They regulate liver, stomach and bowels and build up your health. Only 25c at R. R. Bellamy.

DIVISION OF COLORED VOTE

Rev. Geo. L. White Makes Notable Address in Washington, D. C.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Rev. Geo. L. White, pastor of St. Luke's A. M. E. Zion Church, Washington, D. C., spoke at large meetings here on the evenings of the 14th and 15th, instant, the one in Galbraith Church and the other in True Reformers' Hall. He discussed "The Advisability of the Negro Dividing His Vote and the Pos-sibility of Developing a Sane Leader-ship." He contends that the Repub-lican party has failed to keep any of the promises made to colored voters in all of the party platforms since 1876 and that the colored voter has only been used to keep the Republi-can party in power in order that it might have the distribution of Feder-al patronage which means the control of millions of dollars annually. In the Southern States he said "lily-whiteism," or some such doctrine is used in order to exclude the colored voter from the councils and conven-tions of the party in order that white Republicans might have all of the Federal jobs. He claimed that most all Southern white Republicans are "Republicans for Revenue Only." He said that no self-respecting colored man could endorse President Taft's Southern policy and that it would cause more colored voters to vote the Democratic ticket in 1912 than at any election since their enfranchisement. He said that the breaking up of the solidity of the colored vote for any one political party cannot be checked now as the tide has set in and this vote will go to the Democratic party in large measure and that it will be the means of the Democrats electing the President of the United States.

He said that if the Democrats are wise and would be conservative that they divide the colored vote in the North, East and West and that this will elect the Democratic nominees for presi-dent, the Republican party has con-tinuously elected the President and that with the aid of the colored vote the Democratic party can do the same. He believes that the Democratic par-ty treats the colored voter with fair-ness if they help them wrest control from the Republicans. He appealed to the colored voters of the country to divide their vote in 1912. REX.

FAMILY OF BANKERS.

Wade Hampton Cooper Acquires Con-trolling Interest in Washington Bank.

(Special to Nashville Banner.)

Washington, Dec. 14.—Wade Hamp-ton Cooper, the well known Nashville attorney, who has been in Washington for some days, has just concluded ne-gotiations whereby he acquires the largest single holdings in the United States Savings Bank of Washington, and in which he and his associates in the transaction acquire 75 per cent. of the stock of the concern. The bank is capitalized at $100,000 and has been in business here for five years, grow-ing and prospering all the while. Two new branches of the institution will be opened up here.

The president of the bank, James L. Carrick, is the son-in-law of the late Justice Harlan, of the United States Supreme Court and is also presi-dent of the Fidelity Storage Compa-ny, incorporated at one million. J. M. Baker, first vice president, is Chief Justice of the District Supreme Court. It was Judge Wright who sentenced Samuel Gompers for contempt.

Mr. Cooper has been elected a direc-tor of the United States Savings Bank. He will still retain his office and citi-zenship in Nashville, although his new duties here will necessitate his being in Washington frequently. He has al-so been solicited to become a director in the Continental Trust Company, being organized here with a capital of one million by ex-Senator Nathan B. Scott, of West Virginia.

Mr. Cooper has been the sixth broth-er to engage in the banking business.

Biddford, Me., Dec. 18.—The 2,000 operatives in the cotton mills of the York Corporation, of Saco, were noti-fied today that the plant will be closed from December 23rd until January 2nd. "Uncertainty of the present business outlook(" is given as the rea-son for the renewed curtailment.

ACT QUICKLY

Delay Has Been Dangerous in Wil-mington.

Do the right thing at the right time.
Act quickly in times of danger.
Backache is kidney danger.
Doan's Kidney Pills act quickly.
Are for distressing, dangerous kid-ney ills.
Plenty of evidence to prove their efficiency.

Mrs. J. E. Marshburn, 516 Castle St., Wilmington, N. C., says: "I am well pleased with Doan's Kidney Pills. for they have given satisfaction in my case. My back and kidneys were in bad shape and I had dull pains through my loins, together with headaches and a kidney weakness. In the morning when I got up, I was tired and lan-guid and had but little strength with which to begin my day's work. After I had used part of the contents of one box of Doan's Kidney Pills, I im-proved and it was not long before my kidneys were restored to their proper working order." (Statement given February 24, 1908.)

A Second Endorsement.

On December 27, 1910, Mrs. Marsh-burn said: "I value Doan's Kidney Pills as highly as ever and have no hesitation in re-endorsing them. They are certainly a good backache and kidney medicine."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

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For Christmas Turkeys and Fan-cy Poultry of all kinds. Also Ex-tra Choice Beef, Veal, Lamb, Pig Pork and Sausage. Fresh Eggs.

Leave your order with US and you don't have to worry. WE have the GOODS.

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Quickest, Surest Cough Remedy Ever Used

Stops Even Whooping Cough Quickly. A Family Supply for 50c. Money Refunded if It Fails.

If some one in your family has an obsti-nate, deep-seated cough—even whooping cough—which has yielded slowly to treat-ment, buy a 50-cent bottle of Pinex and watch that cough vanish. If it fails, money back promptly, and without argument.

A 50-cent bottle of Pinex, when mixed with home-made sugar syrup, makes a full pint—a family supply—of the most effect-ive cough remedy that money can buy, at a saving of $2. Gives instant relief and will usually wipe out a bad cough in 24 hours or less. Easily prepared in five minutes—directions in package.

Pinex Cough Syrup has a pleasant taste —children take it willingly. It stimulates the appetite and is slightly laxative—both good features. Splendid for croup, hoarseness, throat tickle, incipient lung troubles, and a prompt, successful rem-edy for whooping cough.

Pinex is a special and highly concen-trated compound of Norway White Pine extract, and is rich in guaiacol and other elements which are so healing to the membranes. Simply mix it with sugar syrup or strained honey, in a pint bottle, and it is ready for use. Used in more homes in the U. S. and Canada than any other cough remedy.

Pinex has often been imitated, but never successfully, for nothing else will produce the same results. The genuine is guaranteed to give absolute satisfaction or money refunded. Certificate of guar-antee is wrapped in each package. Your druggist has Pinex or will get it for you. If not, send to The Pinex Co., Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

STATEMENT CONDITION.

THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK.

of Wilmington, N. C.

at the Close of Business, December 5th, 1911.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts	$3,539,269.70
U. S. Bonds (at par)	551,000.00
Bank Building	25,000.00
Bonds and Other Securities	96,575.00
Cash and Due by Banks	1,573,766.67
	$5,785,611.37

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	$ 825,000.00
Surplus and Net Profits	470,054.29
Circulation	550,000.00
U. S. Bonds Account	100,000.00
Deposits	3,840,557.08
	$5,785,611.37

H. C. McQUEEN, President,
J. V. GRAINGER, Vice President,
J. W. YATES, Vice President,
C. S. GRAINGER, Cashier.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having this day qualified as administra-tor of the estate of Thimas Council, de-ceased, this is to notify all persons owing the said Thimas Council to make immedi-ate payment to the undersigned and all persons having claims against the said es-tate to present them to me on or before December 13th, 1912, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

GEORGE H. HUTAFF,
Administrator, Estate Thimas Council.
This December 12th, 1911. de13w4t

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Quickest and Best Line West and North-west.

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Lv. Petersburg	11:00 a m	10:40 p m
Lv. Durham	7:00 a m	6:30 p m
Lv. Lynchburg	2:40 a m	6:25 p m
Ar. Cincinnati	7:20 a m	6:25 p m
Ar. Columbus	6:45 a m	6:55 p m
Ar. Chicago	5:00 p m	7:30 a m
Ar. St. Louis	6:33 p m	2:30 a m

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C. H. BOSLEY,
Dist. Pass. Agent, Richmond, Va.

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Every egg used in making egg drinks at our Soda Fountain is laid the day or the day before we get it. Fresh eggs make a nutri-tious drink.

We buy our oranges in Florida where the best fruit grows, hence our Orangeade is delicious.

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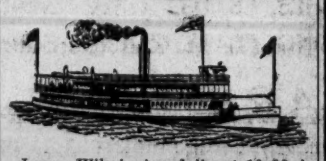

Leave Wilmington daily at 10:00 A. M.

Leave Southport daily at 2:30 P. M.

APPLICATION FOR COMMUTATION

of the Sentence of Death Imposed by Law Upon L. M. Sandlin.

Application will be made to the Govern-or of North Carolina for commutation to life imprisonment of the sentence of death imposed by law upon L. M. Sandlin by reason of his conviction at the July term of the Superior Court of New Hanover County of the crime of murder.

All persons who oppose the granting of said commutation are invited to forward their protests to the Governor without de-lay.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington, Effective October 16, 1911. Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 90, ‡ 3:40 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. No. 91 leaves Norfolk 13:35 P. M. and Richmond 14:10 P. M.)	No. 91, a 1:00 A. M.
No. 51, * 5:45 A. M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50, *11:40 P. M.
No. 64, ‡ 5:50 A. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 65, ‡ 6:50 P. M.
No. 48, * 8:40 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Wash-ington. Pullman Parlor Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York Trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49, * 6:15 P. M.
No. 53, * 8:45 A. M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52, * 8:05 P. M.
No. 55, * 3:15 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway (‡) Florence, Charles-ton, Savannah, All Florida Points, Co-lumbia, Asheville and the West. Pull-man Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia.	No. 54, 1:40 P. M.
No. 62, * 3:25 P. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 63, *12:50 P. M.
No. 59, ‡ 6:30 P. M.	Fayetteville, Sanford and Intermediate Stations.	No. 60, ‡10:15 A. M.
No. 42, * 7:00 P. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washing-ton and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buf-fet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains, with Pullman and Dining Car Service. Pullman Sleeping Cars be-tween Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41, * 9:45 A. M.
No. 57, ‡ 7:30 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate Stations.	No. 58, ‡ 8:30 A. M.

* Daily. ‡ Daily except Sunday. a Daily except Monday.

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

W. J. CRAIG, Passenger Traffic Manager.
T. C. WHITE, General Passenger Agent.
WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE.

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4, 1911.
Winter Park, Wrightsville, Wrightsville Beach and Intermediate Points.

EAST BOUND.			WEST BOUND.		
Leave Wilmington for Winter Park	Leave Wilmington for Wrightsville	Leave Wilmington for Wrightsville Beach	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville Beach for Wilmington
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SPECIAL FOR SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS.
Leave Wilmington every half hour from 2:00 until 5:30 P. M.
Leave Beach every half hour from 2:45 until 5:45 P. M.

Cars marked * do not run on Sundays.
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Trains Leave Wilmington, Effective Nov. 26th, 1911.

No. 45—5:00 A. M.—For Hamlet, and in-termediate points, to Charlotte, connects at Hamlet with No. 66, for Raleigh and points North.

No. 30—3:25 P. M.—For Charlotte, con-necting at Hamlet with through trains for Atlanta, Birmingham, Jacksonville, Nor-folk, New York, and trains id all direc-tions. Arrive Hamlet 7:40 P. M.; leave Hamlet, 8:00 P. M.; arrive Charlotte, 10:50 P. M.

Trains Arrive at Wilmington:

No. 40—12:30 P. M.—From Charlotte.

No. 44—12:10 A. M.—From Charlotte and intermediate points.

No. 45 connects at Hamlet with No. 65, for all points North; at Monroe, with No. 53, for Atlanta.

No. 39 connects at Hamlet with No. 41, for Atlanta, Birmingham and Memphis; No. 84, for Washington and New York; No. 32, for Portsmouth, Norfolk, and No. 43, for Columbia, Savannah and Jackson-ville.

Pullman Car service will be maintained between Wilmington and Charlotte on trains 30, 40, 45 and 44.

Sleeper on No. 45 open for occupancy at 10 P. M.

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Financial and Commercial

SHARP ADVANCE IN COTTON

Active Support from Trade Sources Continued--Offering Freely in English Market—December Contracts Quiet

New York, Dec. 18.—Continued active covering and support from trade sources caused quite a sharp advance in the cotton market after a lower opening today, but prices eased off again in the late trading, and the close was barely steady, net 3 points higher to 4 points lower. The market opened steady at a decline of 2 to 7 points in response to relatively easy cables, reports that actual cotton was being offered more freely in the English market, and private cables attributing the decline abroad to continental selling. Prices here almost immediately firmed up, however, on heavy buying attributed to large spot interests and a renewal of the covering movement noted toward the end of last week.

The South was a seller on the advance, and there was local selling for a turn, but offerings did not seem heavy enough to make much impression on prices until active months had shown a net gain of from 6 to 13 points. Then reports that spots were offered a little more freely in the interior were accompanied by increased pressure, which included realizing by recent buyers for a turn and the market sold off sharply in the last year hour.

Recent contracts were comparatively quiet all day and showed the minimum gain at the high point, but were also relatively steady on the subsequent decline. Arrivals here from the South have been a little heavier of late, and while it is believed there is still some scattering short interest in December, the commitments in that delivery are supposed to have materially reduced during the active trading of last week.

Some of the leading spot people were said to be talking bullishly on the market today, on the ground that foreign spinners were showing a disposition to protect themselves out of this crop against remote requirements and that the South was holding its spots above parity with active months in the local market. Reports of improved domestic trade may also have helped the advance during the middle of the day in connection with predictions of continued heavy exports, while the talk of freer spot offerings at the advance seemed the main factor in the late trading.

Receipts today 62,682 bales against 70,309 last week, and 63,478 last year.

Today's receipts at New Orleans 4,959 bales against 13,764 last year; and at Galveston 15,964 against 10,618 last year, and at Houston 25,227 bales against 22,484 last year.

Spot closed quiet; middling uplands, 9.45; do. gulf, 9.70; sales, 5,700.

Futures closed barely steady.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan	8.73	8.93	8.72	8.85
Feb	8.78	8.91	8.91	8.92
Mar	8.89	9.08	8.88	8.98
Apr				9.04
May	9.05	9.20	9.02	9.08
June	9.08			9.14
July	9.04	9.20	9.16	9.18
Aug	9.15	9.25	9.17	9.19
Sept	9.15	9.22	9.18	9.20
Oct	9.22	9.24	9.22	9.28
Nov	9.25	9.31	9.25	9.30
Dec	9.12	9.25	9.15	9.22

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Steady, 9⅜; net receipts, 15,904; gross receipts, 15,964; sales, 946; stock, 445,903; continent, 21,360; coastwise, 5,546.

New Orleans—Steady, 9¼; net receipts, 4,959; gross receipts, 4,962; sales, 1,380; stock, 284,073.

Mobile—Steady, 2; net receipts, 2,337; gross receipts, 2,337; stock, 91,834; coastwise, 5.

Savannah—Quiet and steady, 8¾; net receipts, 17,823; gross receipts, 17,823; sales, 9,527; stock, 282,095; coastwise, 5,526.

Charleston—Steady, 8¾; net receipts, 4,236; gross receipts, 4,236; stock, 53,363; continent, 15,728; coastwise, 1,175.

Wilmington—Steady, 8⅝; net receipts, 4,522; gross receipts, 4,522; stock, 18,722; coastwise, 200.

Norfolk—Steady, 9¼; net receipts, 5,864; gross receipts, 5,864; sales, 1,638; stock, 64,973; France, 6,708; coastwise, 6,592.

aBaltimore—Nominal, 9¼; stock, 6,766; Great Britain, 1,198.

New York—Quiet, 9.45; gross receipts, 17,142; sales, 5,700; stock, 125,158; Great Britain, 500; France, 4,728; continent, 2,775; coastwise, 5,041; Japan, 4,399.

Boston—Quiet, 9.45; net receipts, 369; gross receipts, 1,261; stock, 9,356.

Philadelphia—Quiet, 9.70; gross receipts, 200; stock, 3,809.

Brunswick—Stock, 9,953; continent, 12,088.

Gulfport—Stock, 16,342.

Port Arthur—Net receipts, 721; gross receipts, 721; France, 721.

Texas City—Net receipts, 5,212; gross receipts, 5,212; stock, 93,965.

Jacksonville—Net receipts, 675; gross receipts, 675; coastwise, 675.

Total today, at all ports—Net, 62,682; Great Britain, 1,698; France, 9,157; continent, 51,944; Japan, 4,399; stock, 1,506,312.

Consolidated, at all ports—Net, 139,604; Great Britain, 41,218; France, 9,157; continent, 52,144; Japan, 12,256.

Total, since Sept. 1, at all ports—Net, 6,461,712; Great Britain, 1,950,943; France, 555,174; continent, 1,837,369; Japan, 126,261; Mexico, 3,235.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Quiet, 9¼; net receipts, 25,271; gross receipts, 25,271; shipments, 24,062; sales, 3,770; stock, 179,395.

Augusta—Steady, 9¼; net receipts, 2,679; gross receipts, 27,302; shipments, 2,009; sales, 1,373; stock, 84,213.

Memphis—Firm, 9¼; net receipts, 5,643; gross receipts, 8,956; shipments, 7,246; sales, 3,400; stock, 20,080.

St. Louis—Quiet, 9¾; net receipts, 746; gross receipts, 3,354; shipments, 3,805; stock, 25,765.

Cincinnati—Quiet; net receipts, 2,184; gross receipts, 2,184; shipments, 822; stock, 11,628.

Little Rock—Quiet, 9; net receipts, 1,865; gross receipts, 1,865; shipments, 1,734.

Louisville—Firm, 9¾.

Total today—Net receipts, 38,394; gross receipts, 44,369; shipments, 39,738; sales, 8,473; stock, 545,470.

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MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Belle Isle (Fr.), 1,382 tons, St. Martan, Hamburg, via Bermuda, C. D. Mafflitt.

Str. Carib, 2,080 tons, Hale, New York, H. G. Smallbones.

Cleared.

Str. Lisbon, Wilson, Elizabethtown, J. W. Brooks.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Belle Isle (Fr.), 1,382 tons, St. Martan, C. D. Mafflitt.

Bengrove (Br.), 2,389 tons, Barber, Heide & Co.

Appenine (Br.), 2,306 tons, Evans, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Lovland (Nor.), 1,463 tons, Terjesen, Heide & Co.

Glenmay (Br.), 1,575 tons, Richards, Heide & Co.

Schooners.

Edward R. Baird, Jr., 263 tons, Calhoun, C. D. Mafflitt.

John W. Hall, 329 tons, Bennett, J. S. Williams.

Granville R. Bacon, 339 tons, Bennett, C. D. Mafflitt.

White Wings, 624 tons, Coombs, C. D. Mafflitt.

Augustus H. Babcock, 1,229 tons, Quinlin, C. D. Mafflitt.

Herbert May, 321 tons, Black, C. D. Mafflitt.

Stephen G. Loud, 40 tons, Hart, C. D. Mafflitt; in distress.

Barges.

Potomac, 773 tons, Fisher, C. D. Mafflitt & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at Port of Wilmington.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 18, 1911.

Atlantic Coast Line—3,981 bales cotton; 7 casks spirits turpentine; 170 barrels rosin; 26 barrels tar; 201 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—541 bales cotton.

Str. Alice—1 casks spirits turpentine; 92 barrels rosin.

Schr. Sadie May — 44 barrels rosin.

Str. Whitlock—8 casks spirits turpentine; 49 barrels rosin.

Total—4,522 bales cotton; 22 casks spirits turpentine; 355 barrels rosin; 26 barrels tar; 201 barrels crude turpentine.

Total last year—7,701 bales cotton; 7 casks spirits turpentine; 54 barrels tar; 1 barrel crude turpentine.

NEW YORK PRODUCE

New York, Dec. 18.—Flour was firm with a fair inquiry.

Rye Flour—Steady.

Buckwheat Flour—Quiet.

Cornmeal—Steady.

Rye—Quiet.

Barley—Steady.

Wheat—Strong. No. 2 red 97 3-8 elevator export basis and 99 3-8 fob afloat. Options closed 7-8c net higher; December 98 1-8; May 1,04 1-8.

Corn—Spot firm; export new 70 3-4 fob afloat. Options nominal.

Oats—Spot firm; standard white 54 1-4 in elevator No. 2, 54 3-4. Options nominal.

Pork—Steady.

Beef—Firm.

Lard—Steady.

Tallow—Steady.

Petroleum—Steady.

Wool—Quiet.

Molasses—Steady.

Rice—Firm.

Sugar—Raw, barely steady.

Refined Sugar—Quiet.

Coffee—Futures closed steady at a net advance of 5 to 11 points. Spot coffee steady; Rio No. 7, 14 3-8 to 14 1-2; Santos No. 4, 15 3-4; Mild coffee quiet; Cordova 16 1-2 to 18 1-2 nominal.

Butter—Firm.

Cheese—Firm.

Eggs—Unsettled.

Potatoes—Weaker; Bermuda late crop, barrel 4.00 to 6.00; Southern late crop 2.50 to 2.75; Maine bag 2.75 to 2.85; Long Island barrel 3.25 to 3.50; State, in bulk, per 180 pounds 2.75 to 2.87; British, per 168 pounds 2.35 to 2.40; Jersey sweets barrel 2.50 to 3.50.

Cabbages—Steady; red ton 24.00 to 28.00; Danish seed 20.00 to 25.00; domestic 14.00 to 19.00.

Freights—Firm. Cotton to Liverpool, per 100 pounds 30c; grain to Liverpool 3 1-2 d; grain to London 4d.

Peanuts—Steady, fancy handpicked Virginia 5 1-4; Virginia shelled Nos. 1 and 2, 4 to 6 1-4.

Cotton seed oil was higher early on Western speculative buying of late months, but eased off late in the session, owing to withdrawal of support and with the late set-back in lard. Futures closed 2 to 5 points net lower. December 5.31 to 5.32; January 5.30 to 5.32; February 5.34 to 5.37; March 5.39 to 5.41; April 5.42 to 5.45.

Prime crude 4.13 to 4.20; prime Summer yellow 5.30 to 5.40; prime Winter yellow 5.60 to 6.10; prime Summer white 5.30 to 5.45.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 18.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady, 49 cents.

ROSIN—Steady, $6.05.

TAR—Firm at $1.80 per barrel.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Firm, $3.50 per barrel for hard; $4.50 for dip, and $4.50 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nothing doing; rosin, nothing doing; tar, firm, $2.60; crude turpentine, firm, at $4.50@$6.00.

Receipts:

Spirits Turpentine	22
Rosin	355
Tar	26
Crude Turpentine	201

Receipts same day last year, 7 casks spirits turpentine; 1 barrel crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Steady, 8⅝.

Same day last year, nothing doing.

Receipts, 4,522 bales; same day last year, 7,701 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 16.)

CORN—Firm; .85 to .87½c. per bu.

PEAS—White, $2.50 per bu.

POTATOES—Irish potatoes, new crop, 80c. per bu.; yams, 60c. per bu.

BEEF—On foot, dull, .03@.04 per lb.

PORK—7c. to 9c.

WOOL—Burry, .11@.12c. per lb.; free of burr, 17 to 18 per lb.

HIDES—Green, .08 to .08½ per lb.; dry, 14 to 15c. per lb.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, old, 20c. per lb.; sides and shoulders, 14c. per lb.

BEESWAX—Firm; .27 per lb.

TALLOW—Firm; .04½@.05 per lb.

POULTRY — Turkeys, 18c. on foot. Chickens, grown, 40 to 45 per head; chickens, spring, 20@40c. per head. Geese, 65 to 70c. per head.

SHEEP—No sales.

EGGS—Fair demand, 24@25 per doz.

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UNCERTAINTY IN STOCKS

Movements Were Hesitating—Frequent Losses—Outside Influences Had No Bearing on Movements—Bonds.

New York, Dec. 18.—Prices moved in a hesitating, uncertain way today on the stock exchange. The undertone was heavy and toward the end of the day the drift became for decidedly downward, so that the close losses of a point or so were frequent. There was evidence throughout the session of considerable pressure on some of the speculative favorites which perhaps registered the conclusion of professional traders that the advance had gone far enough to justify expectations of a reaction.

The movement seemed to bear no relation to outside influences which on the whole were favorable. Improvements of the banks' position, as shown by the weekly clearing house report, and the huge gain in foreign trade revealed in the figures for the year, were developments over the end of the week in which bull traders relied for some improvement, but no response was made to these influences.

A few issues, including Lehigh Valley, the Erie and some of the Copper stocks, showed a fair degree of strength, but yielded later under a steady supply. Lehigh Valley was the exception. It rose to 184 1-2, the highest price in several months. The only explanation offered for the strength of this stock was the reiterated report that the management would soon outline plans for segregating the company's coal lands from the railroad property. United States Steel displayed none of its recent strength. It moved with the other industrials and closed a point off.

A large part of the speculative interest was attached to the trading in Union Pacific which has been sold freely for several days. The stock was under pressure throughout the day. Its heaviness acted as a drag on the market and was influential in depressing prices at the close.

Inflow of cash from the interior cities continued and there was an easier tone in the time money market. Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value 3,808,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call. Total sales for the day 566,900 shares.

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers, pfd	7½
Amalgamated Copper	65½
American Agricultural	61¾
American Beet Sugar	55½
American Can	10⅞
American Car and Foundry	54¼
American Cotton Oil	44½
American Hide and Leather, pfd	20½
American Ice Securities	18½
American Linseed	9½
American Locomotive	36½
American Smelting and Refining	73½
American Smelting and Ref., pfd	102¾
American Steel Foundries	33
American Sugar Refining	115½
American Tel and Tel	133⅛
American Tobacco, pfd	102¾
American Woolen	20¼
Anaconda Mining Co	38¾
Atchison	106⅜
Atchison, pfd	103¾
Atlantic Coast Line	134¼
Baltimore and Ohio	103½
Bethlehem Steel	20¾
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	76⅜
Canadian Pacific	1.240
Central Leather	20⅝
Central Leather, pfd	90¾
Central of New Jersey	315
Chesapeake and Ohio	73⅜
Chicago and Alton	24
Chicago Great Western	19¼
Chicago Great Western, pfd	36¾
Chicago and North Western	145
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	110¾
C., C., C. and St. Louis	63
Colorado Fuel and Iron	27½
Colorado and Southern	46½
Consolidated Gas	138⅜
Corn Products	10½
Delaware and Hudson	167½
Denver and Rio Grande	20⅛
Denver and Rio Grande, pfd	44½
Distillers' Securities	31
Erie	32¼
Erie, 1st pfd	53
Erie, 2nd pfd	42⅜
General Electric	154⅜
Great Northern, pfd	128½
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	35½
Illinois Central	140
Interborough-Met	14¾
Interborough-Met., pfd	48
Inter Harvester	107
Inter-Marine, pfd	16½
International Paper	9⅝
International Pump	33⅛
Iowa Central	17
Kansas City Southern	28⅜
Kansas City Southern, pfd	60½
Laclede Gas	104½
Louisville and Nashville	156
Minneapolis and St. Louis	35⅜
Minn., St. P. and Sault Ste Marie	135¼
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	29½
Missouri, Kan. and Tex., pfd	64
Missouri Pacific	39⅜
National Biscuit	138½
National Lead	53⅝
Nat. Rys. of Mexico, 2nd pfd	34½
New York Central	106⅝
New York, Ontario and Western	39¼
Norfolk and Western	108
North American	72
Northern Pacific	118¼
Pacific Mail	30
Pennsylvania	123
People's Gas	103
Pittsburg, C., C. and St. Louis	97
Pittsburg Coal	18
Pressed Steel Car	33¼
Pullman Palace Car	157
Railway Steel Spring	30½
Reading	152⅝
Republic Steel	26
Republic Steel, pfd	84
Rock Island Co	24½
Rock Island Co., pfd	40¼
St. Louis and San Fran., 2nd pfd	41
St. Louis Southwestern	31
St. Louis Southwestern, pfd	71
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	45
Southern Pacific	115½
Southern Railway	29⅝
Southern Railway, pfd	71
Tennessee Copper	37
Texas and Pacific	22½
Toledo, St. Louis and Western	15⅞
Toledo, St. L. and West., pfd	36
Union Pacific	173¾
Union Pacific, pfd	92¼
United States Realty	68⅛
United States Rubber	47⅝
United States Steel	67⅞
United States Steel, pfd	111
Utah Copper	54⅜
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	54½
Wabash	7
Wabash, pfd	16¾
Western Maryland	60
Westinghouse Electric	68⅛
Western Union	78½
Wheeling and Lake Erie	4⅛

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 9.

Spanish—Quiet, at 80c. per bush.

Virginias—Firm. Jumbo, 4c per lb. Fancy hand-picked, 3½ to 3¾c. per lb.; Extra prime, 3½ to 3⅝c. per lb.; Prime, 3c.; Machine picked, 3 to 3¼c. per lb.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau.

December 19, 1911.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 41 degrees; at 8 P. M., 44 degrees; maximum, 51 degrees; minimum, 41 degrees; mean, 46 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; for the month, 1.34 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 24.5 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Fair, Tuesday and Wednesday; moderate northeast winds.

Port Calendar—Dec. 19.

Sun rises	7:13 A. M.
Sun sets	5:06 P. M.
Day's length	9 hrs. 53 min.
High water at Southport	7:05 P. M.
High water at Wilmington	10:05 P. M.

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

December 18, 1911.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest Today	Temperature: Lowest Last Night	24-Hour Precipitation 8 P. M.
Abilene	raining	48	40	.0
Asheville	clear	46	30	.0
Atlanta	clear	52	32	.0
Augusta	clear	54	40	.0
Birmingham	clear	56	32	.0
Boston	cloudy	38	34	.0
Charleston	clear	56	48	.0
Charlotte	clear	50	36	.0
Chicago	clear	34	26	.0
Galveston	cloudy	56	50	.0
Jacksonville	clear	60	46	.01
Memphis	clear	52	34	.0
Mobile	clear	64	40	.0
Montgomery	clear	58	42	.0
New Orleans	clear	58	42	.0
New York	clear	38	34	.0
Palestine	pt cldy	56	34	.0
Oklahoma	clear	48	36	.0
Pittsburg	cloudy	34	30	.0
Raleigh	clear	50	38	.0
Savannah	clear	58	44	.0
Shreveport	clear	56	36	.0
St. Louis	clear	46	30	.0
Washington	clear	40	36	.0

CHICAGO GRAIN.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—Wheat shorts took fright today at a sensational advance in prices at Buenos Ayres, the result of incessant rains apparently putting an end to bright harvest prospects in the Argentine. The close here was nervous, at ⅝ to 1c. advance over Saturday night. Corn made a net gain of ⅝@¾ to ⅞@1, and oats a shade to ⅛@¼c. Latest trading left hog products varying from 2½ decline to a rise of a nickel.

Wheat—No. 2, red, 96¾@98; No. 3, red, 94@96; No. 2, hard, 98@1.02; No. 3, hard, 94@1.00; No. 1, northern, 1.06@1.09; No. 2, northern, 1.04@1.08; No. 3, northern, 1.02@1.07; No. 2, spring, 98@1.05; No. 3, spring, 96@1.04; No. 4, spring, 90@1.03; velvet chaff, 90@1.05; durum, 90@1.05.

Corn—No. 2, old, 70; No. 2, yellow, 71; No. 3, 61¼@62; No. 3, yellow, 61½@62¼; old, 70; No. 4, 58½@59½; old, 65½@66; No. 4, white, 58½@59½; No. 4, yellow, 59@60.

Oats—No. 2, white, 48½@49¼; No. 3, white, 47¼@48¼; No. 4, white, 45½@47¾; standard, 48@48¾.

Wheat:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec	94¾	95⅝	94⅝	95¼
May	99⅝	1.00	99½	99⅞
July	95¼	95⅞	95¼	95½
Corn:				
Dec	63¼	63⅞	63⅛	63⅜
May	64⅜	64⅞	64⅛	64⅞
July	64¼	64⅞	64⅛	64⅞
Oats:				
Dec	47	47⅛	47	47⅛
May	48⅞	49⅛	48⅝	48⅞
July	45¾	46⅛	45¾	48⅞
Mess Pork, per bbl.:				
Jan	15.35	15.50	15.35	15.40
May	15.82½	15.97½	15.82½	15.85
July	16.02½	16.10	15.97½	16.02½
Lard, per 100 lbs.:				
Jan	9.02½	9.15	9.02½	9.10
May	9.27½	9.40	9.27½	9.30
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.:				
Jan	8.15	8.25	8.15	8.20
May	8.45	8.55	8.42½	8.50
July	8.50	8.55	8.50	8.52½

Doll Shoes and Socks, all colors. Hewlett & Price, 109 Market street. **

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, Dec. 18.—Spot good business done; prices one to three points lower. American middling fair 5.66; good middling 5.28; middling 5.02 1-2; low middling 4.98; good ordinary 4.70; ordinary 4.50.

The sales of the day were 10,000 bales of which 1,000 were for speculation and export and included 9,500 American. Receipts 14,200 bales. All American. Futures opened quiet and closed steady. December 4.90 1-2; December and January 4.90 1-2; January and February 4.90 1-2; February and March 4.92; March and April 4.93; April and May 4.95 1-2; May and June 4.98; June and July 5.00 1-2; July and August 5.02 1-2; August and September 5.03 1-2; Sept. and October 5.04; October and November 5.05.

NAVAL STORES MARKET.

Savannah, Dec. 18.—Turpentine, firm, at 49½@50; sales, 597; receipts, 546; shipments, 212; stocks, 41,710.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 2,140; receipts, 3,010; shipments, 2,597; stocks, 132,656. Quote: B, 6.70@6.80; D, 6.77½; E, 6.80@6.80; F, G and H, 6.85@6.90; I, 6.70@6.87½; K, 7.10; M, 7.25; N, 7.30; W G, 7.50; W W, 7.75.

New York, Dec. 18.—Rosin, firm. Turpentine, quiet.

Charleston, Dec. 18.—Turpentine, firm, at 49½.

Rosin — Firm. Quote: B, 6.67½; D, 6.72½@6.82½; E, 6.77½@6.82½; F, 6.82½; G and H, 6.82½@6.85; I, 6.82½; K, 7.10; M, 7.25; N, 7.30; W G, 7.50; W W, 7.75.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 18. — Requests for prompt shipments of cotton goods not due on order until January 1 were common in the mails during the day, showing the growth of more confidence among distributors and retailers. The local wool market was steady, but generally quiet on forward business. Yarns are quiet, with prices irregular. Silk piece goods are steadier. Many novelty cloths are being shown in blankets for the men's wear and dress goods trade for 1912 Fall season. Jobbers report a moderate activity in clean ups in holiday goods and a better grade of inquiry for domestics for January and February shipment.

FINANCIAL MARKET

New York, Dec. 18.—Money on call steady 3 1-2 to 3 1-8 per cent., ruling rate 3 3-4, closing bid 3 3-4, offered at 4. Time loans soft and dull; sixty day and ninety days 4 to 4 1-4 per cent.; six months 4 to 4 1-4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4 1-4 to 4 1-2 per cent. Sterling exchange firm with actual business in bankers bills at 4.8325 for sixty days and at 4.8640 for demand. Commercial bills 4.82 1-2. Bar silver 54 7-8. Mexican dollars 46.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 16.

North Carolinas, strong. Virginias, and Spanish, quiet and steady.

North Carolinas—Farmers' stock: Prime hand-picked, $1.25; machine-picked, $1.20.

Spanish—Prime hand-picked, 95c.; machine-picked, 90c.

Virginia—Prime hand-picked, 75c.; machine-picked, 70c.

Saved His Wife's Life.

"My wife would have been in her grave today," writes O. H. Brown, of Muscadine, Ala., "if it had not been for Dr. King's New Discovery. She was down in her bed, not able to get up without help. She had a severe bronchial trouble and a dreadful cough. I got her a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, and she soon began to mend, and was well in a short time." Infallible for coughs and colds, it's the most reliable remedy on earth for desperate lung trouble, hemorrhages, lagrippe, asthma, hay fever, croup and whooping cough. 50c, $1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by R. R. Bellamy.

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"RED INJUN" RAZORS.

Razors, 1 pair in Morocco Leather Case, $2.50 to $5.00. Gillette and Durham Duplex Razors, in Fancy Cases.

Bird Scissors. Scissors in Sets, $2.00 and $3.00. "Christy" Bread Knives, Nickle Plated, Hardwood handles, 75c. each. Also

AIR RIFLES—Your Boy Wants One.

Prices: 25c., 75c., $1.00, $1.25, $2.00 each. Hamilton Rifles, $1.50, $1.75 and $2.00. Remington Guns and Rifles. "Peters'" Shells. Hunting Coats, Vests and Leggins.

Our Special Hammerless Double Barreled Gun, at $15.00.

is a winner. As durable and finely finished as any gun at twice the price.

We will be pleased to have you call.

N. Jacobi Hardware Co.

10 and 12 So. Front Street.

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Practical Gifts For Men

To the average man a well balanced selection of Christmas gifts comes as a complete surprise. Fondly his appreciative eye dwells on each other in turn. "What a corking good layout and each the best of its kind."

There lies the secret—give him some practical article that he'll instantly realize as first class. There are rare gift possibilities in the Christmas specials shown below:

Neckwear, in Fancy Boxes; Combination Sets; Mufflers; Silk Handkerchiefs; Linen Initial Handkerchiefs; Kid Gloves, dressed or undressed; Bath Robes in all new designs; Top Shirts, fancy and plain; Hats and Caps for men and children; Boys' Suits; Men's Suits, and Young Men's Suits, the best makes.

Nowhere in the city can be found such varied assortment of useful Christmas Gifts.

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We have a fine selection of many articles suitable for Christmas gifts, including a great variety of leather goods, brass and metal novelties, fine pictures and illustrated books, all the latest fiction, children's books, Christmas cards and calendars, fine stationery in fancy boxes, fountain pens, Eastman's Kodaks, Globe-Wernicke bookcases, and Victoria talking machines, records, etc.

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HIS BODY FOUND ON THE TRACK

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tled negro neighborhood, but there were no tracks whereby the bloodhound could strike a trail, though of course, an assailant, after committing the deed, could have walked away on the cross-ties, thus leaving no tracks."

RECLAMATION OF SWAMP LANDS

Great Work Being Undertaken in Connection With Irrigation.

Chicago, Dec. 9.—"The need for national co-operation in the great work of reclaiming our 79,000,000 acres of swamp and overflow lands, is vividly pointed out by the bulletin just issued on the subject by the Department of Agriculture," said Edmund T. Perkins, of the Chicago Board of Control of the Irrigation Congress, commenting upon the news dispatches from Washington.

"Secretary Wilson," continued Mr. Perkins, "makes the statement that a great deal of money has been expended for reclaiming marsh lands without getting permanent effective results, because of lack of co-operation and the insufficient size or poor construction and maintenance of levees, sluices and ditches. He makes the further statement that unreclaimed lowlands, worth from $1 to $20 per acre, will be worth from $20 to $100 per acre when drained; and that besides producing a financial benefit the drainage would destroy the breeding places for mosquitoes and reduce the unhealthful conditions that cause malaria, chills and fevers.

"The members of the National Irrigation Congress have long recognized the need of drainage and the necessity of national co-operation. The Congress, which met at the Auditorium Theatre and Orchestra Hall the past week took steps to push the reclamation of swamp lands by the aid of the Federal government, under a policy corresponding with the reclamation of arid lands in the West.

"Irrigation of arid lands is an established economic necessity now and the work is progressing with encouraging rapidity. For this reason the Irrigation Congress, at its sessions at Pueblo last year, thought it could take some time from the irrigation propaganda and give it to the reclamation of swamp land movement.

"The great results obtained from a united effort on behalf of irrigation can be duplicated in the reclamation of wet lands. Four years ago the United States Bureau of Statistics estimated the number o acres under irrigation at 11,000,000. The number today is probably 12,000,000. Those 20,000,000 acres are worth at least $100 an acre, or more than a billion dollars. Without irrigation they were worth only a few dollars an acre for grazing lands, and some of them wouldn't grow a dozen blades of grass to the acre. There are probably 36,000,000 more arid acres in the United States which can be irrigated.

"So the constructive work of the irrigationists has been so well grounded that there is no doubt the members of the Irrigation Congress will help bring about a National movement for the reclamation of the 79,000,000 acres of wet lands, of which about 14,000,00 are quite near to Chicago, in Illinois, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan and Iowa.

"Secretary Wilson's bulletin urging the necessity of co-operation will be a good thing for the movement."

WILL OPEN NEW STORES

United Cigar Stores Company Announced Plans for New Stores

New York, Dec. 18.—The United Cigar Stores Company today announced plans for opening a number of new stores throughout the country. It was declared that contracts and leases for the new places were closed prior to the decision of the Supreme Court in the American Tobacco Company case and that the opening of them was held up pending the divorce of the Cigar Stores Company from the American Tobacco combination in pursuance of the Supreme Court decree.

The separation which the court ordered will be effected tomorrow according to the announcement at the United Cigar Stores headquarters when the American Tobacco Company will distribute its holdings in the Cigar Stores Corporation to the thousand individual common stockholders. The Cigar Stores Company points out that the court mandate has no effect on the cigar store business except to remove it from the control of the American Tobacco Company, and in the language of the Attorney General "the United Cigar Stores Company will now be left alone to work out its own destiny in its own way.

SAVANNAH HARBOR SCANDAL.

Echo Was Made When Question Arose Regarding Railroad Stock.

Washington, Dec. 18.—There was an echo of the Savannah harbor scandal in the Supreme Court today when that tribunal assigned for early hearing on the summary docket "the question of whether the United States is entitled to 400 shares of stock in the Norfolk & Western Railway Company as property purchased for Capt. Oberlin M. Carter with funds alleged to have been improperly procured from the government. Mary C. Leary, of New York, claims the stock, as indemnity for her husband going on Carter's bond when he was arrested in connection with the scandal.

One of the reasons for the success of the Atlantic Coast Line Railway may be seen in the recent appointment of Mr. Champ McD. Davis to be general freight agent for the territory below Charleston. Mr. Davis has come up from the ranks and doubtless has often been encouraged in his work, by the knowledge that it was his company's settled policy to promote men of its own service to the higher positions as these became vacant, rather than to seek elsewhere. Nearly all the heads of departments have grown up with the road. They know the Coast Line well and the Coast Line knows them well. Every employe under them knows that in time he in his turn will be advanced, if he is ready when opportunity knocks. There is much to recommend promotion from the service. It is very well to get some new blood in occasionally, but a railroad can do nothing more paralyzing to loyalty, enterprise and ambition among its employes than to look beyond its own service for men to fill desirable positions as these fall vacant or are created.—Columbia Record.

ESTIMATES CROP PRODUCTION

With a Decrease in Production in Most Important Crops, Value Greatly Exceeds That of Last Year.

Washington, Dec. 18.—With decrease in the production of 11 important farm crops, not including cotton, the total value of these crops this year reached the total of $3,769,562,000 according to the final estimate announced today by the Department of Agriculture. This is an increase of almost $190,000,000 over the value last year.

The department's final estimate of production today differs considerably from its preliminary estimate made in November, because of a vision of the acreages based upon the Census Bureau's figures which became available since that time. The important features of the different crops compared with last year were:

Corn—An increase of 1,790,000 in acreage at decrease of 354,772,000 bushels in production and an increase of $180,441,000 in value.

Winter Wheat—An increase of 1,833,090 in acreage, a decrease of 3,486,000 bushels in production, and a decrease of $3,167,000 in value.

Spring Wheat—An increase of 2,029,000 in acreage, a decrease of 10,297,000 bushels in production, and a decrease of $14,821,000 in value.

Oats—An increase of 390,000 in acreage, a decrease of 258,215,000 bushels in production, and an increase of $8,257,000 in value.

Barley—A decrease of 116,000 in acreage, a decrease of 13,529,000 bushels in production, and an increase of $38,756,000 in value.

Rye—A decrease of 88,000 in acreage, a decrease of 1,778,000 bushels in production, and an increase of $2,604,000 in value.

Buckwheat—A decrease of 27,000 in acreage, a decrease of 49,000 bushels in production, and an increase of $1,099,000 in value.

Flax Seed—An increase of 290,000 in acreage, an increase of $5,800,000 in value.

Rice—A decrease of 26,500 in acreage, a decrease of 1,576,000 bushels in production, and an increase of $1,650,000 in value.

Potatoes—A decrease of 101,000 in acreage, a decrease of 56,295,000 bushels in production, and an increase of $39,212,006 in value.

Hay—A decrease of 2,674,000 in acreage, a decrease of 13,534,000 tons in production, and a decrease of $53,199,000 in value.

Tobacco—A decrease of 353,600 in acreage, a decrease of 198,306,000 pounds in production and a decrease of $16,932,000 in value.

ON BRIBERY CHARGE

Bert H. Franklin, McNamaras' Defense Given Preliminary Hearing

Los Angeles, Dec. 18.—Bert H. Franklin, formerly an ivestigator employed by the defense in the McNamara dynamiting cases, was brought before Justice Young today for preliminary hearing on the second bribery charge against him—that of having bribed Mrs. Robert F. Bain to influence her husband, a juror in the trial of James B. McNamara.

One witness, Mrs. Maude Clifford Farley, a neighbor, testified that Mrs. Bain came to her home one day and used the telephone; that Mrs. Bain used the name Franklin several times.

The case then went over until tomorrow.

Deputy District Attorney Joseph Ford stated that one more witness will be called and that immediately afterward he would file criminal information against Franklin.

London, Dec. 18—Bombardier Wells, whose scheduled fight with Jack Johnson last September was prohibited by the authorities, appeared in the ring of the National Sporting Club tonight. He met Fred Storebeck, the heavyweight champion of South Africa. A big crowd had gathered to see the bout, which lasted 11 rounds. Storebeck being knocked out with one of Wells' powelful swings.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 18.—As the result of a midnight automobile accident on the grand prize automobile course, several nights ago, Mrs. W. J. Donnell, of Norfolk, Va., died this afternoon at a local hospital. Her leg was amputated in a vain effort to save her life. A man who accompanied Mrs. Donnell on the trip, was injured, but not seriously.

The lowest estimate of the addition this (the pension bill) will make to the national expenses is $35,000,000 a year; the highest is $75,000,000,000. The treasury has no surplus revenue; it has deficits. A reduction of taxation is exceedingly important, but the need of more money for pensions will be offered as an objection to any plan for reducing tariff taxation. The Senate has yet to act on the bill, but a presidential election will occur next year, and no one likes to oppose a pension bill at such a time.—Philadelphia Record.

Nursing Mothers and Malaria.
The Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out malaria and builds up the system. For grown people and children, 50c.

Havana, Dec. 18.—(Baseball) New York Nationals, 4; Almendares 1.

Stimulates the surface of the skin, promptly reducing inflammation
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is easily applied one or two applications generally does the work.
At your druggist's or, by mail 25c., 50c., $1.00
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Buy Oranges and Grapefruit No Human Hand Has Touched—That Have Been Handled Solely by White-Gloved Workmen

In the great groves of Florida, belonging to growers affiliated with the Florida Citrus Exchange, each picker of fruit wears white gloves.

Every piece of fruit is clipped, not pulled, and the baskets are lined with canvas, several inches from the bottom, to avoid bruising.

The big wagons which carry the fruit to the packing-houses have heavy springs,—the drivers wear white gloves. The fruit is then most carefully inspected—the inspectors wear white gloves.

Every piece of accepted fruit is washed, by machinery. From the washers the fruit falls into bins. It is then wrapped in tissue-paper, and carefully packed in boxes—all this by more white-gloved workmen.

Your dealer can supply you oranges and grapefruit in these self-same boxes—and will if you insist. Every box contains booklet telling how to serve citrus fruits, and coupon good for half the price of tableware in silver and cut-glass. (Booklet without coupon for four cents in stamps mailed to the Florida Citrus Exchange, Tampa, Fla.) To make sure you get the right fruit, look for this mark, in big red letters—

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"CHRISTMAS comes but once a year," says the old song. It's too bad it doesn't come more frequently for our pleasure and the pleasure we give; for the joy and good will which the season brings and cultivates; but maybe once a year is enough for our pocketbooks.

You'll find this store particularly a place where suitable Christmas gifts for men may be had; we're giving you a small list of them here, just as a hint of what you'll find here; there are a lot more not in this list that are waiting for you here.

Men's Clothing.
Hart, Schaffner & Marx Suits and Overcoats.
Hart, Schaffner & Marx Full Dress or Tuxedo Suits.

House Coats, Smoking Jackets, Bath Robes.
These things any man is glad to possess; we have a large variety of them.

Neckwear.
Four-in-Hands; String or Batwing Bows; Knit Silk Ties, a big variety from 25 cents up to $2.50.

Suspenders.
A great variety, 25 cents up. Fine ones of Silk, in boxes, 50 cents up.

Hosiery.
All colors, all grades, from fine cottons at 25 cents, up to pure silk at 50 cents up. Pure silk hose and tie to match in individual boxes.

Handkerchiefs.
You don't expect a good linen Handkerchief at less than 25 cents; from that up to pure silk at $1 and more.

Gloves.
All kinds of gloves; for dress, for driving, for work, for warmth; We can supply any need. Dress gloves up to $2.50. Fur lined gloves up to $5.

Men's Jewelry.
Studs, cuff links, pins, sets, links and pins to match, full dress sets. You can get almost anything you want here, from 50 cents up.

Leather Goods.
Small boxes for holding pins and studs, collar and cuff bags, suit cases. You'll find inexpensive nice things among them, as well as the finest possible.

Sweaters, Sweater Coats, Mufflers

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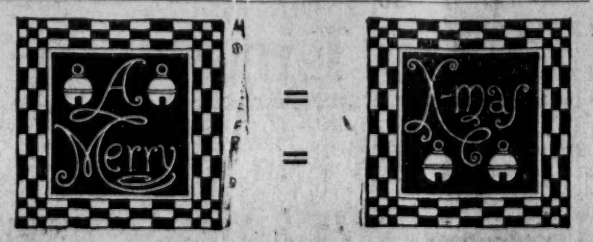
Many new and beautiful weaves, colors and patterns.

Umbrellas.
Fine ones covered with pure silk, richly mounted, $3.50 up. Other good ones from $1 up.

Special Note.
In any goods where the right size is important, if you don't know the size, and can't find out, we'll help you; and anything that isn't right may be returned.

When you're trying to think of something to give a man for Christmas think of this man's store; we'll help you all we can.



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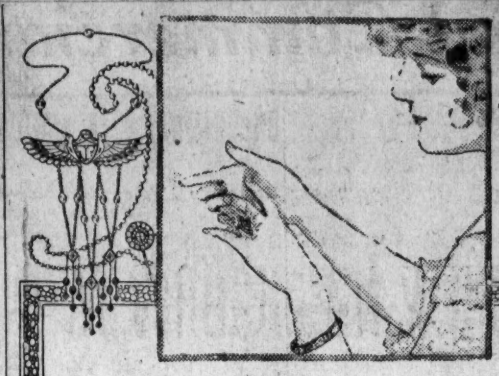

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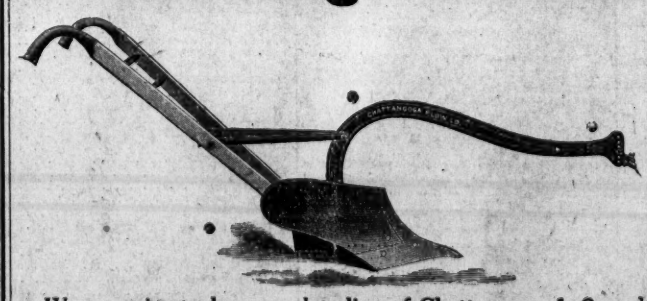

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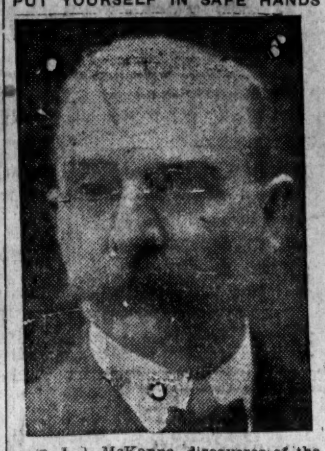

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